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WAR IMPENDING

THE TROOPS

Vacillating Between the Two Parties and Two Executives--Situation at Frankfort

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 9.—The Commercial has received a telegram from ex-Gov. Bradley who appeared before Federal Judge Taft on behalf of the minor republican state officers disclaiming bad faith on the part of the minor state officials in regard to the arrangement under consideration by Gov. Taylor in regard to the governor and lieutenant governor. The telegram which is dated at Cincinnati follows:

"Minor candidates all say they were not parties to any agreement either in person or by attorneys and that any charge of bad faith is untrue and without the slightest foundation. They were not even consulted about the agreement now proceeding between the claimants for governor and lieutenant governor.

W. O. BRADLEY.

SITUATION LAST NIGHT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 9.—Unless some action regarding the Louisville agreement is taken by Gov. Taylor today, or some word sent to them concerning his intentions, the democrats will organize their state government at Louisville. A conference was held here last evening at which Gov. Beckham, Senator Blackburn, S. J. Shackelford and John K. Hendrick were present. The delay of Gov. Taylor in declaring himself regarding the Louisville agreement was discussed at length and it was agreed by all present that the democrats had waited long enough. One day more will be allowed for some intimation from Gov. Taylor.

Gov. Taylor announced last night that he had not taken action regarding the agreement and that there was no possible chance of his doing so before tomorrow. He would not say whether he would take any action today or not. It is desired that the agreement will not be accepted by Gov. Taylor as it stands. He desires more specific promises regarding the repeal of the Goebel law and a decision in the gubernatorial contest by a separate vote of the two houses. By this latter, the democrats say they will not agree. They claim that no mention was made of a repeal of the law in the Louisville conference.

Not a democratic member of the legislature was here yesterday to attend the funeral, and last night Governor Beckham, Gen. Castleman and other democratic leaders returned to Louisville.

The report that orders had been issued to arrest members of the legislature who might come to town yesterday was denied by Gov. Taylor.

The application for a permanent injunction restraining Gov. Taylor from interfering with the sessions of the legislature in Frankfort and from convening at London was not heard yesterday at Georgetown. The matter went over until today.

The troops are vacillating in their allegiance between two parties and two executives.

SENATOR BLACKBURN'S SPEECH.

In his speech at Gov. Goebel's funeral, Senator Blackburn made a thrilling speech which was in part as follows:

"The tyrannous and bloody act is done. The most arch deed of piteous massacre that ever yet this land was guilty of. Goebel is dead, but that which he stood for and that which he died for, still lives. Some man in their deaths render greater services to the cause they advocate than it was possible to do in life. The shot that struck Goebel down sounded the death knell of the political organization of his opponents for all time in Kentucky and in its effects will reach to the limits of this land. That this cruel deed was the natural result of the fierce contest from which he had just emerged none can deny. The fierceness of the fight that had been waged against him, for malignancy and unfairness has no precedent in the history of our country. 'Tis but just to him to say that the patient courage, the forbearance and dignity that has marked the conduct of his followers was largely due to the example which he had set them."

"Twould be but poor satisfaction to see the miserable tools and instruments made use of in his murder give up their lives to an infuriated populace. Be patient and neither the perpetrators nor yet the most guilty planners of this foul crime will escape the penalty that the law provides. You need not fear for failure of discovery. No crimes like this can be concealed.

"The universal manifestations of sorrow among our people give painful evidence that your leader has fallen. Be not discouraged. The world's history proves that a leader fit to succeed him will not be lacking. Exalted as were his proportions of leadership, the demand of the situation will furnish us another. From the ashes of Wm. Goebel let there spring a champion of the people's cause. The brunt of the battle that he waged needed only a continuance of his efforts to crown it with success and that result was reached more speedily in his taking off.

"Revolting as were the methods employed to compass his destruction, there were features connected with the end that end to comfort and reconcile us to it. He had given the high commission to reclaim his state and to redeem his people. And this work he had nobly done. The full measure of his ambition had been attained. Dying, he attested by his smile, the satisfaction of his soul when the oath of office was administered and he breathed his last listening to the prayers that his people, grateful for their deliverance from the domination of anarchists and assassins, sent with his unfettered spirit into the presence of his God."

The speaker closed with a warm and feeling tribute to the good qualities of the dead leader.

THE LEGISLATORS FEAR ARREST

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Ky., Feb. 9.—Representatives and senators whenever they gather at the different hotels and on the streets discuss the situation earnestly. That warrants for the arrest of absent members was the subject before the recent executive sessions seems now certain.

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the House said: "If I am sent after members, I certainly will bring them in. There will be no dallying about it."

Representative Stack said: "A fight is certainly before us and the sooner it comes, the better."

Representative Haswell said: "This is a body which respects the feelings of grief that have been engendered through the death of Mr. Goebel. There is no desire to compel absent members to attend sessions before the funeral was over."

Representative Heissman said: "We have something up our sleeves now, but I can't tell what it is."

Senator White said: "We were in executive session for the transaction of business and what took place I refuse to say. I am under oath not to talk."

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the house and Mr. Howard of the senate have held several conferences. Mr. Cecil said he had no warrants in his pockets, but further than that he evaded any answer.

The following telegram has been sent to Gov. Taylor:

"We, the undersigned representatives of the people in the 13th district of Kentucky desire to state that we are unalterably opposed to the signing of any agreement looking to the surrender of the offices to which the entire republican ticket was honestly and fairly elected.

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AT A STANDSTILL

Buller's Wedge Hard to Drive Between Boer Positions

Little News of Importance Since Tuesday—An Armored Train Delivered 2000 Troops That Were Soon Driven Back

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—1 a. m. All the messages from the observers with Gen. Buller throw in a phrase or two about the "strength of the Boer positions," and the "difficulties of Gen. Buller's war," but they do not carry events beyond Tuesday evening. Their last slender narratives leave the British advance on Vaal Krantz in the centre of a semi-circle where the troops are exposed to the Boer artillery on both sides and in the centre.

The fighting continued until 9 Tuesday evening and, almost without doubt continued Wednesday, as the Boers would certainly not leave this wedge into their lines unmolested. It is also inferred that General Buller must either continue his advance or retire.

The heaviest fighting appears to have been on Tuesday. General Buller's 233 casualties are mentioned as having occurred before Tuesday noon. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. The casualties already reported bring the total British losses to 10,244 killed, wounded and captured.

The disposition here is rather to minimize the importance of the fighting in Natal and to suggest that this is only an incident, placing hope upon expected decisive engagements in northern Cape Colony and upon the invasion of the Free State by Lord Roberts. At all events this is the official view.

The public does not like these waits and there is sharp anxiety for further news.

In Cape Colony General MacDonald has had a skirmish with a thousand Boers at Koodooberg. This was on Monday. The Boers have been taking the offensive against Gen. French near Rensburg, as well as against Gen. Gatacre in the Sterinberg hills.

A supplementary army estimate, to March 31, was laid pro-forma before the house of commons yesterday but was not made public. It is reported that the call is for £20,000,000, which would make the cost of the war up to date £30,000,000. The maintenance of 200,000 men at the front, it is estimated, costs between £8,000,000 and £10,000,000 per month.

FROM LADYSMITH BULLER INVISIBLE

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Ladysmith dated Tuesday, Feb. 6, says: "Little can be seen of Gen. Buller's action owing to the haze. It appears that the Boers have withdrawn their big guns from the hills here southward. A large force of Boers still remains and the garrison is prepared for a night attack.

WAR IN ZULULAND

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DURBAN, Feb. 9.—A large force of Boers attacked Nordwent in Zululand and destroyed the public buildings. They took numerous prisoners. A force of volunteers with artillery has been despatched thither to support the scouts and to oppose a further advance by the Boers.

PATTEE'S ELECTION

As City Messenger Pronounced Illegal

A Sun representative has consulted a lawyer in regard to the election of city messenger and has found the most conclusive evidence that Joseph E. Pattee holds the office illegally, for the reason that he secured votes by trades with councilmen in lieu of the appointments of elevator man and assistant janitor.

The trade for elevator man was admitted by the councilman who made it and who has even gone so far in his ignorance of the law as to threaten legal proceedings against Mr. Pattee for refusing to carry out the agreement by leaving the appointment of elevator man to him under the provisions of the trade.

The law upon this matter as stated by the gentleman consulted who by the way has had long experience in passing upon such matters is as follows: Acts of 1898, Chapter 548, Section 253 of Corrupt Practices Act: "No person shall, in order to aid or promote his own nomination or election to a public office directly or indirectly by himself or through another person, promise to appoint, or promise to secure or assist in securing the appointment, nomination or election of another person to a public position or employment, or to a position of honor, trust or emolument, except that he may announce or define what is his choice or purpose in relation to an election in which he may be called to take part."

This, it is very plain, covers the case in point with the utmost precision. The supreme court has decided in numerous cases that any official securing election by such means cannot be regarded as holding office legally and can be removed by an appeal to the courts. Moreover, the trade for elevator man is not the only one which can be proved against Mr. Pattee. The assistant janitor of city hall was also appointed under an arrangement with a councilman in lieu of his vote and his influence. Consequently on this point alone, Mr. Pattee can be removed from the office and in consequence, Mr. Fagan is still legally city messenger.

But there is another consideration which enters into the matter, as affecting the legality of Pattee's election. In chapter 415 of the acts of 1898, section 7, it is provided as follows: "Neither the city council nor either branch thereof, nor any committee or member thereof, shall directly or indirectly take part in the employment of labor, etc."

This makes it quite clear that the councilmen who traded with Mr. Pattee for the appointments of elevator man and assistant janitor of city hall violated this provision of the charter. Consequently they are subject to the penalty of the law on this point alone in addition to the violation of the corrupt practices act quoted above.

Hence the lawyer which The Sun representative has consulted, pronounced it absolutely certain that Mr. Fagan has still a right to claim his salary, and that Mr. Pattee can be removed beyond a doubt by an appeal to the courts.

It remains now with Mr. Fagan or the democratic party to take the proper steps to vindicate the law. This information will be a surprise to some of the republican officials who have so far forgotten the provisions made by law to prevent corruption in the election or appointment to public office.

It is high time that councilmen should know that it is a violation of the statutes to trade their votes in lieu of getting friends appointed to office. The councilmen who enter into these trades and corrupt practices had better be relegated to private life, as their presence at city hall is an injury to the city inasmuch as they use their influence to load the city pay roll with their personal friends, heelers and favorites. It is time that such abuses were stamped out, and it rests now with Mr. Fagan to expose the corrupt methods by which Mr. Pattee has entered the office of city messenger and in which several councilmen are equally implicated.

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FOUND GUILTY

Peter Bowers of Larceny of Bottles

Five simple drunks appeared before Judge Hadley this morning. One was released. Arthur Arrissenault and Charles Whitney were assessed $3 each and John Britton was fined $6. James Quinn came to the police station last evening and asked to be locked up. He said he was a stranger in this city and did not have any home. His Honor sentenced him to the state farm at Bridgewater.

Fred Broyers, charged with assault and battery on Caroline Broyers, pleaded not guilty and was defended by Daniel J. Donahue, Esq.

The complainant, Mrs. Caroline Broyers, was the first witness and she testified that she lived in West Fourth street and carried dinners to her aunt in the Boott mills. On the day of the alleged assault she arrived at the mill at twenty minutes of twelve and while passing through the mill, defendant struck her in the face with his hand. Complainant is a sister-in-law of defendants.

Mrs. Labonne, an aunt of plaintiff's was next placed on the stand and her testimony in part was as follows: "I work in the Boott mill and on the day of the alleged assault I saw defendant put his hand on the plaintiff's face but I did not see him strike her. I was working at my loom at the time and could not see everything that was done.

At this point the court thought that there wasn't enough evidence against the defendant, and the court, therefore discharged him.

The continued case of Peter J. Bowes charged with the larceny of 100 empty bottles from a junk wagon, the the property of Joseph Stevebelu was found guilty by the court and ordered to pay a fine of $10.

DEATHS

TANNER—Mr. George Tanner died last night at his home, 31 June street, aged 48 years and 5 months. He was born in Frome, England, and had been a resident of Lowell nearly 30 years. He is survived by a widow and two sons, Benjamin, an employe of the Bigelow Carpet works, and Thomas, a musician. The deceased had many friends in this city. He was a man of kind and generous disposition, always ready to assist, quietly and quickly, in time of trouble.

FUNERALS

KANE—The funeral of Francis Kane, infant son of Patrick and Annie Kane, occurred yesterday afternoon at three o'clock from 7 Court avenue and interment was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of J. F. O'Donnell.

SHRIGLEY—The remains of the late Edward Shrigley were consigned to their final resting place in the Catholic cemetery yesterday morning. The funeral which took place from his late home, 78 Newhall street, at 8.30 o'clock was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the deceased. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Thomas Murphy, O. M. I. The church choir rendered appropriate selections. Miss Adelaide Sullivan presided at the organ. The bearers were Edward Rock, Patrick Green, Joseph McEvoy, James Gorman, Thomas McCann and Thomas Sexton. Rev. J. P. Reynolds, O. M. I., read the service at the grave and interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. H. McDermott.

PROPER—The funeral services of Sarah A. Proper, wife of Abram A. Proper, were held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the office of Undertaker Currier. Rev. Mr. Fisher officiated. The remains were forwarded to Natick for interment.

CURRIE—The funeral services of Jane C. Currie were held yesterday afternoon at 13 Bartlett street, Rev. Mr. Craig officiating. Mrs. Legrott sang. Interment was in the Edson cemetery in charge of C. M. Young.

Miss Alice Gertrude Coram, and Miss Stella Mabel Freson, who have been in New York for the last two weeks, are expected to arrive in Lowell today.

J. F. O'DONNELL,
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GAS DEAL IS OFF

The Local Plant Will Not be Purchased

It is Stated That the Intended Purchasers Have Forfeited the Sum of $20,000 Posted as Option Money

The big gas deal which involved the purchase of the Lowell Gas Light co. by an outside concern is said to be off and the local company will retain possession of its plant.

It will be remembered that several months ago an offer to purchase the plant was made to the directors, who referred the matter to the stockholders. The price named was a very favorable one for the parties who intended to sell and the stockholders decided that the time was ripe for disposing of their holdings.

The deal was apparently entirely arranged and all that remained to complete it was the transfer of property. Then the intended purchasers suggested that as the money market was not in its best condition, that money was difficult to obtain, it would be an immense favor to them if the time limit was extended a few weeks with the hope that the conditions for borrowing money would be more favorable. This request, too, was granted by the proprietors of the local company.

Now it is stated on reliable authority that the entire deal is off and that the purchasers finding the money market very tight, decided not to buy and sacrificed $20,000 forfeit or option money to the Lowell company.

The decision caused quite a flurry among the Gas Light company stockholders and corporation men when it became known. There were many stories circulated concerning the sale, and some said that they believed the Whitney people were behind the whole matter and that it was only one step in the direction of the accomplishment of their desire to supply gas for lighting purposes and fuel throughout the state.

Mr. Rothers of the Lowell Gas Light Co. was seen by a reporter of The Sun and asked concerning the story that the sale of the plant is off. He said that he could not say anything about the matter as he knew nothing about it. "The people who would know are the directors, and I have no knowledge either officially or otherwise of the matter. The proposition was first made to the directors and by them forwarded to the stockholders for an expression of their wish and on the advisability of selling.

"You know when the original time limit of the sale expired the directors extended it to April to accommodate the purchasers."

IMPERIAL DECREE

Condemns the Murder of Rev. S. M. Brook

JAPANESE EMPEROR'S MOTHER IS DEAD

Many Deaths in Hong Kong From Plague

By Associated Press to The Sun.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 8.—The steamer Empress of China arrived from Yokohama with details of the murder of Rev. S. M. Brooke in Shan Tung. An imperial decree, dated January 4, mildly condemns the outrage and criticizes the officials whose lack of administration made the coolies believe that the assassination would be acceptable to the authorities.

The China brings news of the death of the mother of the Japanese emperor, Nii-no-Tsubone, Jan. 15. News is also brought that Miller, the American convicted of the murder of a Japanese woman in Blood Town, Yokohama, was executed on the 18th.

The total number of cases of plague in Hong Kong in 1899 were 1,486 and the deaths, 1,428.

The American transport Morgan City which went ashore last summer in the Inland sea of Japan, will probably be released. She can be taken from the water for 65,000 yen and the cost of repairing her would amount to 60,000 yen.

The British torpedo boat destroyer Tweed went ashore on the West river while chasing Chinese pirates and when the steamer got fast the pirates came back and opened fire on her. One bluejacket was killed. It was not known how many pirates were killed by the Tweed's guns. Piracy is more than ever a menace to commerce. December 31, the steam launch Esang, while towing a passenger boat, was seized near Kumchuck. The pirates escaped, although pursued by the British steamer Salkon. The notorious pirate chief, Fon Chan Poi, with 2,000 followers, is so strong that the mandarin soldiers dare not attack him.

The Kuo Won Pao announces the granting of two additional railway concessions to the Belgian syndicate, one representing a branch line from Loktsenhow to the west of Pexin, and the other a line from Kai Fong in dan Bin Honan to Honon Fu with right of ultimate extension to Sigman. This is the first railway running due west through Honan into Schenze which has been granted and forms a branch of the Lohan line running parallel with the Yellow river and south of it. It commands practically the only mountain pass for a great distance either north or south and carried to Sigman will be brought in contact at that point with the network of trade routes radiating in all directions.

At Nagasaki, Jan. 11, eighteen prisoners on board the American transport Meade escaped from the ship during a religious service which was being held for their moral improvement. Cano-ing, they dropped into small boats at the stern of the steamer and made their way into the interior. Six however surrendered three days later and two were captured by the Japanese police at a village thirty miles from Nagasaki. The remaining ten were still at large when the Empress of China sailed for Vancouver.

MAN KILLED

HE WAS WHIRLED AROUND THE SHAFTING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 8.—Carl Freeman, 15 years of age, married, was whirled around a shaft in the basement of the Arlington grain mill at Arlington shortly after 5 o'clock this morning, receiving death almost instantly. Both legs were broken below the knee and nearly torn in two, several ribs on his left side were fractured and both hands were cut, while he was attempting to adjust a belt to a blower.

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MANY HEARINGS

Held Before the Legislative Committees Today

BICYCLE MATTER AGAIN AGITATED

Half Holiday on Election Day Favored

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 8.—A dozen or more committee hearings at the state house today kept a majority of the members of the legislature fully occupied until the lunch hour. Several of the hearings were crowded, especially those before the special committee investigating the gypsy moth and the railroads.

The former committee heard a number of the farmers of Belmont, Burlington and other infected towns and some of the actions of the employes of the commission were severely criticized. It was openly charged that colonies of the moth had been planted in various localities by employes in order that the state might appropriate money for carrying on the work. Petitions to the legislature favoring the continuance of the work were also circulated by employes. W. S. Frost of Belmont said he had been asked to sign such a petition.

The committee on railroads took up the old matter of the transportation of bicycles as baggage on railroads, and favoring the bill were a number of prominent members of the L. A. W., while the railroads opposed it.

Representative Hancock of Brockton and Frank A. Foster of Boston, favored a half holiday on election days before the committee on election laws, on the bill introduced by the former gentleman.

The remonstrants' side of the Gloucester police court controversy was heard by the committee on probate and insolvency, a number of witnesses testifying in favor of Judge Tait whom the lawyers of Gloucester are trying to have deposed.

THREE KILLED

IN A COLLISION BETWEEN TWO TRAINS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Feb. 8.—Three trainmen were killed and three seriously injured in a head-on collision today between fast freight trains on the Beech Creek division of the New York Central railroad at Gordon Heights. The dead are:

Oliver C. Bennett, engineer, Williamsport.

Mark McFarland, engineer.

A. M. MacAvenue, fireman, Jersey Shore.

MAYOR HARRISON

OPPOSED TO SHARKEY-CHOYNSKI BOUT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Mayor Harrison's attitude toward boxing matches in which the leaders of the heavyweight class engage will probably prevent the fight scheduled between Tom Sharkey and Joe Choynski for March 17, under the direction of the Tattersalls Athletic club.

The mayor's position is the same as that taken when an attempt was made last year to bring Sharkey and Corbett together. The men are matched but a manifesto from the city hall put a stop to it. The mayor said last night: "I am opposed to matches between strong men of Sharkey's reputation on general principles."

SUPPER AND ENTERTAINMENT.

The regular monthly supper and entertainment of the Ladies' Benevolent society of the First Trinitarian church was held last evening in the church vestry. Despite the unfavorable weather there was a large attendance. An unusually good supper was served between 6 and 8 o'clock, by a committee of 12 from the society. The tables were well patronized. The entertainment which began at 8 o'clock, was of a literary nature. Those who took part were: Piano duet, Miss Annie E. Woodside and Miss Olive Emerson; cornet solos, Mr. Frank J. Dolan of Billerica Centre; reading, Miss Blanche Marshall; trio, Miss Carrie L. Brown, Miss Corinne Emerson and Miss Olive E. Emerson. Miss Annie E. Woodside was the accompanist.

A FIERCE STORM

It is Reported That Several Houses Were Destroyed

CONSIDERABLE LOSS OF PROPERTY

Great Loss of Life is Reported

By Associated Press to The Sun.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 8.—A wind storm swept western Indiana and eastern Illinois today and the telephone and telegraph wires were seriously affected. Telephone messages from the western border of the state and from points in Illinois indicate that the storm was most terrible at Collinsville, Ill., on the Vandalia railroad. The railroad officials who made an investigation through their local agents, were unable to verify the report of fatalities.

The latest information was to the effect that several houses were destroyed in Collinsville. One house, a telephone message says, was wrecked.

Meagre reports from the territory north of Collinsville, indicate that there must have been considerable loss of property and it is feared, loss of life.

The storm seems to have passed down the Indiana-Illinois line to Evansville, and the reports from many places indicate that the wind reached the velocity of a tornado at many points.

Near the village of Carbage, Ill., a farm house was completely destroyed. The farmer and the members of his family escaped. In the same locality a mile and a half of telegraph lines was blown down and much debris piled on the track of the Vandalia railroad.

BRITISH BRAVERY WOEFULLY MISGUIDED

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Presumably, Gen. Buller is fighting again today in his third attempt to relieve Ladysmith and news of the greatest import may arrive at any moment. Yet, there is more doubt here than exultation for even if the recollection of Gen. Buller's two disastrous failures after auspicious starts were not keen in the minds of the public, the list of casualties published today would be a sufficient reminder of the tremendous difficulties of his task. The facts that he occupied Vaal Krantz, the key to the lower ridge while a praiseworthy and gallant achievement by no means signifies that he and General White will inevitably join hands. Before General Buller there are several days of hard fighting and any attempt to forecast the result would be valueless. If based on precedent which can hardly be done in warfare, it would be bound to be in favor of the Boers, for apparently the conditions have not materially altered since the last fruitless attempt. On the other hand, the British troops are smarting under defeat and will undoubtedly be nerved to more desperate efforts than ever before, and if furious gallantry can carry General Buller over the kopjes that face him, Ladysmith will be relieved within a week. But so far, British bravery has been in the main, woefully misguided. It is more than likely that General Barton at Chieveley may be strong enough to advance on the Tugela and render valuable assistance from the southeast while the beleaguered garrison itself, according to the latest dispatches, should be able to create a potential division when General Buller has overcome the initial difficulties which lie in the kopjes immediately north of the Tugela.

Turning from the transcendent interest in Ladysmith, the whole war area presents a scene of important activity. The Boer attack of General Gatacre's forces, reported Feb. 7, fizzled out. The artillery of the burghers, after shelling the camp, retired upon the arrival of British reinforcements. The affair scarcely warrants being called a skirmish. The British casualties were one man killed and four wounded.

The latest advices from Sterkstroom announce that Gen. Gatacre's cavalry is in pursuit of the Boers. While nothing has resulted from this affair, it indicates that the burghers are fully alive to the importance of the concentration which is on the verge of occurring between the forces of Gens. Gatacre, Kelly-Kenny and French and they do not hesitate to take the aggressive against established positions in attempt to thwart it, though it is believed that the sufficiently large body of troops will soon be massed at Colesburg to ensure the unopposed advance of the invading army when it is ready for this move at present and all this activity is merely preliminary to what is known at Field Marshal Roberts' main movement is evidenced by a dispatch from Cape-Town, dated Feb. 7, announcing the director of transports was advertising for ox wagons and drivers. Without these it would be hopeless to think of carrying on the invasion and it must be a month more before they are ready. Another preliminary is that General Roberts has only just sanctioned the formation of the new colonial yeomanry consisting of a troop of 100 men for each district of the colony, to protect the loyal farmers. This force will be officered from among the local yeomen.

Opinion is divided as to whether Field Marshal Lord Roberts and Gen. Kitchener have gone to the Modder River or Sterkstroom. Gen. MacDonald's activity in the former locality, combined with the belief that the Colesburg movement is to draw off a portion of the Free State forces, has given rise to the hope that General Methuen will shortly be enabled to make a successful attack resulting in the relief of Kimberly, while the gradually thinning forces surrounding Mafeking will altogether melt away.

Sir John Gordon Sprigg, the former premier of Cape Colony, has cabled to Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, in behalf of the Imperialists of Cape Colony, congratulating him on the government's overwhelming majority in the house of commons and declaring the government's policy, if steadfastly pursued would secure South Africa, under British supremacy, permanent prosperity.

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From Yesterday's Late Editions.

FUNERALS

McLAUGHLIN—The funeral of Katherine McLaughlin took place this morning from her late home, No. 2 rear of 340 Bridge street. A large cortege followed the remains to St. Michaels' church, where a mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. John Gilday. Schmidt's requiem mass was rendered by the choir under the direction of Mr. James A. Murphy. At the offertory the hymn "Pie Jesu" by Leybach, was sung by Mr. Thomas Boulger and at the conclusion of mass "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," by Miss Nano Gallagher. As the funeral procession passed from the edifice, Miss Gallagher and Mr. Boulger rendered a duet. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker C. H. Molloy and the pall bearers were Messrs. James Noonan, William Horan, James Hosty, John Whitehead, James Carty and Martin McLaughlin. Among the large profusion of costly floral tributes was a massive circle and base, pendant in a central position being a spotless white dove with the inscriptions in blue immortelles "Katie" and "Shopmate" from the employes of card rooms 8 4 and 8, Boott mills; large pillow, "Our Katie," from Mr. and Mrs. Noonan and sisters; large standing wreath on base inscribed "Katie," sympathy of the Misses Maggie and Katie Kerigan; large cross, Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Manning; spray of pinks and roses, Miss Kelley; spray of lilies, card room operatives of the Boott mills; spray of roses, Miss Nellie Connors; large wreath, "Mamma," from the bereaved daughter of the deceased. The celebrant of the mass read the burial service at the grave.

EVERETT—Mary L. Everett, who died in Charlestown Monday took place yesterday afternoon from the northern depot and interment was in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Funeral Director J. A. Weinbeck.

HURLEY—The funeral of Helen Hurley, infant daughter of John and Agnes Hurley, took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, 3, in the rear of 38 West Third street. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker O'Donnell.

MARSH—Funeral services over the remains of the late Dr. Austin March were held at his home Monday afternoon, the pastors of both churches, the Rev. A. H. Armes and Rev. E. C. Abbott officiating and paying a just and loving tribute to his memory. A quartet comprising Miss Faustina Wilkins, Mrs. D. W. Robbins, Messrs. Harry Wilkins and J. E. Taylor sang three selections. Upon the casket was a large ivy wreath from the family; a small wreath of ivy leaves and ageratum, Mrs. Lucy Duren and Mrs. John Melvin; spray of pinks, Mrs. E. Gladwin, Lowell, who was present; also the three granddaughters, the Misses Ella, Grace and Alice Morse of Boston. The interment was in the family lot in Green cemetery, Carlisle.

LYNCH—The remains of the late Hannah Lynch were consigned to their final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning. The funeral, which took place from her late home, on Keene street, at 8.30 was very largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the deceased. A mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. Peter's church by Rev. W. George Mullin. There were many floral tributes, the most prominent of which were the following: A large pillow, inscribed "Wife and Mother," from the family; wreath of palms, from nieces of the deceased, Mrs. John Lowney and Mrs. Mary Marren; pillow inscribed "Aunt" from Geo. and Mabel Haggerty; large cross from nephews of the deceased; John and Annie Clancy; star and crescent on mound inscribed "Cousin" from the Mack family; wreath inscribed "Grandma" from the children of Mary and John Roane; cycas palms, Mrs. Mary Reilly and Maggie Frawley; spray of lilies, Lowney family; sycas palms, Mrs. Mary and Susie McGirr; spray of lilies, Lowney family; cycas palms, Mrs. Charles Deveno; spray of palms and pinks, Miss Marietta Lee; cycas palms, Miss Catherine Daley; basket of flowers, Mr. T. J. Farnan; palms and ivy, Mr. J. J. Brennan; handsome spray, Mrs. Mary Chatney; The bearers were Messrs. John Donohue, John F. Roane, Philip McLaughlin, Philip Reilly, Martin Horan and Jeremiah O'Brien. The committal prayers at the grave were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Rogers.

The Lowell people who registered at New York hotels during Tuesday included H. C. Bell, Continental; W. L. Rogers, Herald Square; P. S. Sullivan, Manhattan; Miss Hastings, Mrs. T. Nesmith, Murray Hill; Mrs. R. A. Kelly, Miss N. A. Maxwell, St. Dennis.

Rev. Fr. Despall, O. M. I., of St. Joseph's parish, Lowell, is replacing Rev. J. J. Shaw for two weeks. Rev. Fr. Shaw is enjoying a much needed rest.

Rev. Fr. Perron, O. M. I., and Rev. Fr. Lamothe, O. M. I., have returned from Dover, N. H., where they preached a two weeks' mission.

MAN FOUND DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 8.—A man believed to be H. A. Sherman of Slocumville, this state, was found dead at the city hotel late this morning, the victim of illuminating gas. He registered under that name last Tuesday night. The keyhole of the door was plugged and the police say that the case is evidently one of suicide.

CARPENTER MARKHAM DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Feb. 8.—Chief Carpenter B. F. Markham, U. S. N., who has been stationed at the Portsmouth navy yard for the last two months, died at the Naval hospital on Stavey's Island today. Carpenter Markham was one of the best known men in his division of the naval service. He was a native of Portsmouth, Va., where he has a son now living.

MONEY IS NEEDED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—George W. Van Sielen, of this city has just received a letter from J. H. Hafmeyer of Cape Town, a friend of the Boers, in which the writer says the Dutch relief committees have plenty of Red Cross nurses but need funds for relief work. He says that whatever the final result of the war may be, thousands of Boer widows and orphans will be left in a state of destitution. Hundreds of thousands of dollars will be required to render them some effective aid.

PENSION CHANGES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The following pension changes resulting from the issue of January 25 are announced:

Massachusetts: Original: James E. Hayes, South Peabody, $8. Additional: Newton C. Hopkins, Malden, $6 to $8; William Harrington, East Weymouth, $6 to $8. Increase: John Brennan, Soldiers' Home, Chelsea, $6 to $8. Original widows, etc.: Adelaide W. Holmes, Mattapoisett, $8. Special accrued, Jan. 27, Sarah J. Gaffney, Gloucester, $8; Laura A. Austin, East Norton, $8. War with Spain: Widows, Annie F. Earley, Chelsea, $12.

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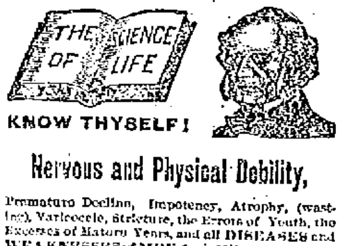

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NEW CURATE

FATHER CARNEY OF LAWENCE TO BE STATIONED AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.

Rev. Richard Boland, acting pastor of St. Michael's church in the absence of Rev. William O'Brien, who is in the South, received information to the effect that Fr. Carney, now a curate at the church in South Lawrence, which is presided over by Rev. Michael McManus will succeed Rev. John Gilday of St. Michael's, who is to take the place of Rev. Fr. McManus, the latter having been assigned to a church in Brookline.

Fr. Carney was graduated from the Brighton seminary and was ordained last Christmas. He belongs to the Immaculate Conception parish in Marlboro.

Fr. Gilday will report at South Lawrence Monday morning next, and Monday afternoon Fr. Carney will report at St. Michael's to Fr. Boland, in the absence of Fr. O'Brien.

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For Boston, 5.43, 6.25, c6.42, *7.45, *8.50, c9.15 *9.49, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, c3.00, 4.25, c5.11 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.25, c6.45, w6.60, 7.01, *7.20, *7.25, 7.34, *7.45, w*8, *8.57, c9.19, w9.25 *9.50, w10.50, 11.03, *11.12 a. m.; w12.05, 12.10, w12.45, 1.43, w2.33, c3.03, w3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.15, 5.22, c5.43, w*6.15, *6.22, 7.00, *7.49, w9.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 7.20, 7.25, w8.15, 8.48, 9.19 a. m., w12.05, w4.05, 4.25, w5.30, 6.23, w7.25, p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.60, z7.34, w8.30, w9.25, 10.35, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, w3.30, w3.55, 4.15, w5.16, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, wb11.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30, w7.50 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.34 a. m.; w12.05, 1.23, w5.15, 6.53 p. m.

For Haverhill, 5.23, 6.50, z7.34, 8.30, 9.25, 10.52 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.16, 6.15, 7.00, 8.25, b11.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.50, 7.25 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.34, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.15 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.50 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.25, z7.34, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.50 p. m., for Somersworth and Portland.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.25, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 5.15 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.50 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.25, 8.30, a. m; 12.05, 5.15 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.; 6.15 p. m., ex. Saturday for Belfast and Rockland.

SUNDAYS, 5.50 p. m.

For St. John's, N. B., Halifax, N. S., Montreal and Quebec, 5.15 p. m. (5.15 does not connect Saturdays.)

SUNDAYS, 5.50 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland), on (Mondays, for St. John only) and Thursdays, at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland) Tuesdays and Fridays at 5.15 p. m.

For Woburn, 5.28, 7.04, 7.31, *7.45, 11.03 a. m.; 1.43, 4.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 8.43 a. m.; 4.25, 6.55 p. m.

For Ayer and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 5.01 and 5.42 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.12 a. m.; 1.00, 3.41, 5.40 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.12 a. m.; 3.41 p. m.

SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, 1, *1.50, 3.41, *5.40, 6.27, *8.10, *8.10 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 10.00 a. m.; (to Nashua only) 3.03 a. m.; 2.00, 6.07, 8.10, 5.40 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; 12.12, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, *a8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, N. H., Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.40 a. m.; 1.30 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *9.40 a. m.; *1.40, *a8.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Jct., Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal, via Central Vermont line, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, a*8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line, *9.40 a. m.; a*8.40 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth, and Sherbrooke, *9.40 a. m.; *8.40 p. m., ex. Sat.

References:

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bWednesdays and Saturdays only.
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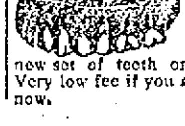
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Y. M. C. A. Rules Used in Second Half

The Burkes basket ball team defeated the Dartmouth college team last evening in the most interesting game seen here this year.

The game was played in Associate hall and 1000 drunks cheered themselves hoarse over it. The college boys were by far the best team that has played here this season and they gave the Burkes an interesting run for their money. They brought rosin to overcome the disadvantage of the slippery floor, could pass and dribble fairly well and at goal throwing were superior if anything to the home team. But perhaps they didn't hate to lose the game! When at the end of the first half the score stood 10 to 2 against them, they declined to play any more unless the Burkes played their way, by the Y. M. C. A. rules which were considerably different from those of the Burkes. The latter played the half by Y.M.C.A. rules and failed to score while the Dartmouths played awfully hard and pulled up four points, not enough to change the general result. It was not a bad idea to call for the Y. M. C. A. rules, as it is probable that the Burkes will be obliged to play under them at the Sportsmen's Show and the sooner they become familiar with them, the better.

The local team consisted of Tierney, Reagan, Healey, Marley, and Kelleher, and as was expected they gave that same fine exhibition that characterizes all their work. At passing they have no equals. Their scoring in the first half was done by Marley, Kelleher and Reagan, the last named being the star of the game. Reagan's opposite was a brawny young giant and the clever manner in which Pete ducked and dodged jhim kept the spectators in an uproar of enthusiasm. While Tierney and Healey failed to score they contributed their share to the general success and are entitled to a few of the bouquets. Hubbard and Alling were the stars of the Dartmouth team, although all five men played well.

On February 21, the Burkes will play the world's champions, the Twenty-third street gymnasium of New York.

The line-up:

BURKES.		DARTMOUTH
Capt. Tierney, lf	rg,	Craig
Reagan, rf	lg,	Alling
Healey, c	c,	Hubbard
Marley, lg	rf,	Newman
Kelliher, rg	lf,	Abbott (capt.)

Score, Burkes, 10; Dartmouth 6; goals from floor, Reagan (2), Marley, Kelliher, goals on fouls, Reagan (2). Failed on free throws, Reagan (6), Kelliher, Hubbard (5), Abbott (2), fouls called on, Alling (2, Hubbard (), Craig (2), Reagan (5), Kelliher, Marley and Tierney; referees, George Rooney, Lowell; F. S. Archibald, timekeepers, James Wynne and Alfred Kennedy, time, 20-minute halves.

During the halves of the big game the Burke Juniors and the Palmers contested in a hot game which won by the former team by a score of 4 to 1.

Coleman scored the two goals for the Burkes, while Donahoe tallied the only point for the Palmers on a foul. Connie Shea and Jimmy Reagan played a fast game for the winners while "Shaver" Maloney and Donahue played the best for the Palmers. The line-up:

BURKES.		PALMERS.
McCarthy, lf	rg,	McMahon
Reaga, rf	lg,	Handley
O'Day, c	c,	Wallace
Shea, lg	rf,	Donahue
Coleman, rg	lf,	Maloney

Score, Burkes, 4; Palmers, 1; goals from floor, Coleman (2), from fouls, Donahue; references, James Wynne and George Rooney.

Mr. G. Jas. Wynn made his debut as a referee in the first half of the junior game and received an ovation. Aside from calling a strike on one of the players, he did excellently and Mr. Rooney will soon have to look his laurels.

After the game a dance was held with Referee Rooney as floor director and nearly all the audience remained for it. The Excelsior orchestra furnished the music.

BILLERICA CENTRE

There were twenty-five marriages in Billerica in the year 1899. St. Andrew's parish had seven in all, Fr. Paquette having 5 and Father Lavole 2. The out-of-town bridegrooms came from Tewksbury, Newton, Abbington, one each and Lowell three. There were three brides from Lowell, one each from Pittsfield, Chelmsford and Charlestown. The youngest bride was 18 years and oldest bride 43. The youngest groom was 20 and the oldest 61. There were forty-nine births, 25 boys and 24 girls. The deaths were twenty-five boys and twenty-four girls. The deaths were twenty-four males and eighteen females.

A second party of fishermen consisting of Walter Holden, Oscar Smith, Oscar Yellows and Ernest Frost went to Forge Village early yesterday morning and came home better satisfied than on the previous occasion. They brought home thirteen medium sized pickerel and about a week ago they had poor success at Graniteville and are rejoicing over their large "haul."

Mr. Rufus R. Russell is still seriously ill at his home on Jones Corner. He is being attended by Dr. Buch.

Mr. Frank Crosby is still cutting ice. The ice is of first quality.

A birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Shepard in honor of their guest, Miss Eliza Lawrence, who was seventeen years old Wednesday evening. During the evening refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. There was vocal music and piano solos by invited guests. She received numerous presents and at a late hour the party dismissed.

Two cases of stone arrived yesterday for the underground passage at Colby's crossing. It will probably be completed in the course of a month.

PERSONAL.

Tonight will be the third and last evening of the Sacred Heart festival at the Sacred Heart school hall. The Y. M. C. I. will have charge of the entertainment this evening which will be a minstrel show. We need not say anything about the character of the show that will be given, for the public of Lowell knows that they have the amateur dramatic company in the city, if not in the state. His evening will close the festival and it is expected that the hall will crowded to the doors.

Arthur W. McLean of this city was elected president Wednesday of the freshman class of Boston University.

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Heart Complaint the Cause of Death

Miss Delle Annie Latart, aged about 45 years, was found dead in her bed in her room, 14 Boott corporation about 8 o'clock this morning.

The deceased was for a long period employed as a spinner in Overseer Hounsell's department of the Boott mills but of late became a sufferer from heart trouble and required the attendance of Drs. Warner and Lavigne. Last night before retiring she appeared to show signs of improvement and was in good spirits.

Mrs. Richardson, who is in charge of No. 14 Boott corporation, on calling the Latart woman this morning, failed to receive a response and notified her husband whose efforts in the same direction also proved futile. He therefore notified Police Officer John Dennett, who forced in the door and found the woman in the bed undressed lying near the edge. The dead woman in the past, owing to the nature of her complaint, had been compelled to seek sleep while sitting in a chair.

She was a native of Quebec and has a brother Henry Latart of Ware Village, Mass., who has been notified of her death by the local police.

Miss Latart was in comfortable circumstances and had an insurance on her life. She is spoken of highly, as a woman of excellent Christian traits of character.

HOME CLUB DANCE

Their Third Social Was Held Last Night

AND IT WAS A GRAND SUCCESS

A Cake Walk Among the Features

The Home club held the third in its series of select socials in Prescott hall last evening and the affair equalled its predecessor in the pleasure it afforded. There was no march, but a new and very taking feature was introduced during the evening and it was a cake walk for all, beginning in sets and concluding with all hands around the hall.

During the evening the lemonade booth was presided over by Miss Sadie McDonald and Miss Flemings, both in dainty new gowns. Harry Richardson served ices at intermission. The officers were: General manager, C. A. Gale; floor director, J. W. Crawford; aids, A. G. McCurdy, T. C. Ware, F. J. Sherwood, M. F. Cummings, W. E. Bartlett, John Buckley, J. A. Lyman, F. H. oCle, A. J. Dion, M S. Clark and George E. Titus; reception committee, A. G. Thompson, Alex. M. Abels, Walter P. Wiley, Elwyn W. Lovejoy, Orrin R. Griffin, Seldon L. Sawtelle, Dr. Otis Allen, G. W. Fenton, Girard P. Dadman, Walter F. Leighton and J. W. Anderson.

JUDGE KNOWLTON

Refuses to Grant Injunction on Fitchburg Lease

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Judge Knowlton, in the supreme court yesterday afternoon, refused to restrain Gov. Crane and other state officials, including the state directors of the Fitchburg R. R. from voting in favor of the lease of the Fitchburg to the Boston and Maine R. R. company, as prayed for in the bill in equity brought by James M. Hilton of Cambridge, a Fitchburg stockholder.

STORM PREDICTED

COLD WAVE SPREADING OVER THE COUNTRY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Weather conditions and general forecast: The cold wave has extended over the upper lake region and the lower Ohio and lower Mississippi valleys where the temperature has fallen thirty to forty degrees since Wednesday night. In the Atlantic coast states and from the Rocky mountains to the Pacific coast the temperature has risen.

During Friday and Friday night the cold wave will cover the Atlantic coast districts preceded by rain and attended by clearing weather with probably snow flurries in the middle and north Atlantic states. During Friday, night the temperature will fall to about the freezing point along the gulf and South Atlantic states and in extreme northern Florida.

Saturday will be fair and cold in the Atlantic coast states after which the temperature will begin to moderate. Along the North Atlantic coast, high easterly winds will shift to northwesterly late Friday. On the middle and south Atlantic coast the winds will shift to strong northwesterly.

Storm signals are displayed along the Atlantic and gulf coasts and cold wave signals are displayed generally east of the Mississippi valley except in northern New England and in the west gulf states.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Light rain or snow tonight; fair Saturday; much colder; variable winds, becoming westerly.

BROKE HIS WRIST

WHILE TRYING TO REPLACE A BELT.

This morning while Joseph Rash, an employe in the foundry of the Lowell Machine shop, was at work one of the belts flew off the pulley and in trying to get it on he sprained his wrist. The ambulance was summoned and he was taken to the Corporation hospital where his wrist was dressed.

Get your money's worth by buying your Coal of W. B. Livingston, 18 Thorndike St.

GENERALS' FAULT

Franklin Young, the War Critic

SAYS THE BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE BRAVE

But the Generals are Grossly Incompetent

Franklin K. Young, the great war critic, writes as follows of the war situation:

"About the only thing appertaining to the British army in South Africa which can be spoken of with approbation is the self-evident resolution of the British rank and file and particularly during its evolutions in retreat. That the British troops have shown superb skill and steadiness in retrograde movements before the victorious Boers is undeniable; and all the more creditable from the standpoint of the military art as it is in just those situations that troops of less courage and less discipline invariably go to pieces.

The rank and file of the British army is deserving of high praise in that after being led to the slaughter by ignorant and worthless officers, the men by their personal interpidity have stood shoulder to shoulder and not only have saved their own lives but have preserved for the English government thousands of splendid soldiers who otherwise would have been massacred or captured by the pursuing enemy.

For instance, when Gen. Gatacre led his troops into a great defile among the mountains where they found themselves surrounded on three sides by a superior enemy, posted on inaccessible heights there is no trouble in drawing a comparison between General Gatacre and other generals who never did any such thing as this. On the other hand when the English rank and file extricated themselves from a situation of this kind, with a loss of only 20 per. cent., instead of being captured entire as would have been the case had they been other than votevan regular troops, they well deserve the Christmas present of a cake of chocolate from Her Majesty the Queen.

In the same way, in the case of Gen. Methuen, who started out to surprise the Boers at Magersfontein, and who was himself surprised and routed by a so-called horde of Dutch farmers, the attention of the military student is attracted to the fact that while night marches by the flank to surprise the enemy have been made successfully, that such successful manoeuvers never were made after the fashion attempted by Gen. Methuen. But particularly is the student of the military art struck by the superb individual bravery and skill shown by the British regular and he readily sees that to this superb bravery and skill alone is due the fact that Gen. Methuen's army was not destroyed entire.

On the Tugela, Gen. Buller has demonstrated that his understanding of military art and science is on the same plane as that of Gen. Gatacre and Gen. Methuen. In a certain sense all those officers are entitled to symphty; they mean well but they don't know. It is a horrible situation in which to place a man when having a supreme command and with the eyes of the world fixed upon him and the welfare of his government at stake, he is brought face to face with a proposition in military mathematics of whose solution and of the processes incident thereto he has not the remotest conception.

This is the matter with the English generals. Each man tried to do his duty and to its attempt each devoted his utmost eoffrts. But as a man with his eyes shut runs toward a precipice at top speed, so does a man accelerate the destruction of his army when with all possible energy he enters upon the accomplishment of a false and unscientific military manoeuver.

At the present moment the air is filled with every variety of rumor, more or less misleading, from the theatre of war in South Africa. In Natal Gen. Buller is said to be making a third attempt to raise the seige of Ladysmith. Coming on top, as this does, of the utter failure of his attempted flank march via Spion Kop, an dwith his army weakened and demoralized to a greater or less extent by two serious defeats, it does not appear, at this distance, that the Boers need to have any great solicitude in regard to Gen. Buller's immediate or ulterior objective.

To be sure it is possible that his army may have been reinforced, but the reinforcements which he has received hardly will replace the thousands of veteran soldiers he has lost. In any event it is quite evident that he is not attempting a flank movement, and unless he makes a successful flank movement he must attack the Boer position in front. If Gen. Buller crosses the Tugela river at Poletegiers drift and attacks in front the Boer position of Schoen Kop, there are reasons to elieve that at some future time the English nation will be justified in buying of the United States of South Africa that particular bit of country for a military cemetery.

That is to say, although nobody acquainted with English military ideas will venture to set any bounds to the rashness of their commanders, it does not seem probable that at the present momoent Gen. Buller is in condition to make another attack in force, and it seems most likely that his operations today are limited merely to heavy skirmishing, and for the purpose of giving his troops something to think about besides the seeming hopelessness of the attempt of the British empire to overpower two little Boer republics.

One of the funniest dispatches from the front thus far is to the effect that Sir Hector MacDonald with two battalions, a regiment of cavalry and a battery, commands the road from Hopetown to Kimberly. This dispatch is a good illustration of what a German officer once said of the English idea of war, i. e., it dated back to the days of Achilles when one man all by himself could terrorize a whole army.

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ABOUT BARBERS

Past and Present in Lowell

A HUGE JOKE PLAYED ON BARNUM

Which He Duly Appreciated and Enjoyed

Our tonsorial establishments have undergone a greater change since the civil war than any other line of business in our city. Until about 1870 there perhaps were not more than a dozen barbers in the city that were not colored men, as white men did not take very kindly to the barber business. In those days the business of hair dressing, cutting and shaving meant more than it does today, as one or two very important branches of the business seems to have entirely disappeared, such as wig making and hair dyeing. I can remember quite distinctly when very few people would go into a barber shop without having either their whiskers, moustache or hair dyed which was a great fad in those days; they also had their hair curled. Today that branch of the business is little known among the barbers of the city. Nobody would ever think of calling a barber a millionaire in those days, although years ago some of the barbers seemed to be given to saving money and in time accumulated considerable property. I can remember when such men as old Hollis Proctor, Alek. Burton, Dave Brooks and old Uncle Lewis and Sam Benson, all colored people, accumulated considerable wealth. For some unknown reason in our city today with one or two exceptions there is not a colored barber working at the business.

The barber of today is quite a dresser and it is an acknowledged fact that barbers as a rule are among the best dressed men in town. There is usually a strong social side to a barber and there is no pleasanter place to frequent than the barber shop. When you think of the peculiarity of their profession, doesn't it strike you as funny how they ever learn to be journeymen barbers. In the beginning a man has to serve an apprenticeship and it takes about a year to learn the trade in all its branches. Then they find material to work on. At mostly any other kind of a mechanical business a person is given the material to work on and after becoming proficient with the tools they are allowed to finish some particular kind of work. But the barber plays a very strange part in the learning of his business, as he cannot use any dummies to practice on; nothing but a human face will answer his purpose, and it seems that no man would allow his face to be hacked up if he knew it. The apprentice first starts in as a whitewasher or more correctly speaking by lathering the customers. His next difficulty is that of dressing the hair after the journeyman barber had shaved the customer, but I suppose that occasionally a barber has a customer that he can work as a kind of dummy for his apprentice to practice on. There is nothing that will bring the cold perspiration over a person quicker than to get in the chair and have one of these apprentices operate on you. They can bring tears to your eyes quicker than they would coine if you heard that one of your dearest and nearest relatives had passed away, and yet you would not dare to make much of a holler as you might fare worse if you got the artist nervous. But somehow or other they seem to get into the business and make a living at it.

Last year the barbers of the city tried to put a bill through the legislature to compel every barber to pass a kind of civil service examination under a practical barber appointed by the state legislature. Every man would have to pass an examination before practicing as a journeyman barber. There are many places where the sanitary condition of the shops is sadly neglected, in regard to towels, combs, brushes and tools. By their uncleanliness a customer's face is endangered with the barber's itch which is one of the worst and most troublesome skin diseases a person could be afflicted with. A person cannot be too careful where he has his work done, as we only have one face each and should be very careful of it.

But to go back to the legislature. The bill was killed and the principal reason perhaps was that the majority of the members were from the rural districts where they do their own shaving and are not interested in the sanitary condition of our barber shops. The duty of the barber appointed by the legislature would be to inspect at any time the condition of every establishment in the city, and if it was not up to the requirements of the law the proprietor would have to pay a heavy one which would cause him to be very particular in regard to the cleanliness of the establishment.

As a rule a good barber, like any other workman, need never have any worriment about finding employment. It takes but a small sum for a person to go into the business for himself, but as a rule the best workmen are found among the salaried men rather than the proprietors. These proprietors are all very affable and friendly sort of fellows and are mighy well posted, and might be styled walking encyclopedias. In swapping stories and hearing discussions on so many different topics with such a variety of people they acquire a large and varied knowledge of the affairs of the day. Their establishments are usually very neatly and attractively fitted up with all the modern appliances, and there is generally a number of newspapers, periodicals and everything to make a customer's wait for his turn as pleasant as possible. Of course the order is "First come, first served." For practical jokers, barbers are famous. One of the funniest jokes perhaps that was ever worked in a barber shop was that played on P. T. Barnum, the great show man. One of the New York longshoremen who wa semployed in emptying one of the coal barges called at the barber shop to get a shave one Saturday night, and the place was pretty well filled with customers, when the great P. T. Barnum came in and on looking around thought he would be unable to wait long enough for his turn and suggested that if any man would give him his chance he would pay for his work. It fell to the lot of the old longshoreman to have the next turn, which he willingly gave up to the great showman. The proprietor being well acquainted with Barnum and knowing what a wonderful joker he was thought it was a capital chance to get one on him, so he informed the coal heaver that Barnum had agreed to pay for his work, but did not specify the amount of work to be done, so he started in by having a bath, which cost, 25c, a shave 10c, hair cut 25c, whiskers trimmed 25c, hair dyed 50c, hair curling 50c, making a total of $1.55. The great showman when presented the bill decided that it was one of the best jokes that was ever played on him. He showed his quick wit and ability as a showman by immediately engaging an artist to sketch this man's picture before and after his shave, and to paint a portrait of him telling what it cost to make the transformation scene from a hardy son of toil to a well groomed man. He had the picture painted and it hung in his museum for several years and was one of the attractions the people had to pay to see. After Barnum's museum in New York was abandoned, by some manner or other this picture finally passed along until it drifted into the city of Lowell where it now adorns the walls of Peter Cullin's barber shop on Appleton street; and it certainly makes a very interesting study when it is known to be founded on facts. But the barber's business is not the only one that is changing, as everything must change with the times.

JOS. STOWELL

AN OLD RESIDENT OF LAWRENCE PASSES AWAY.

Mr. Joseph Stowell, an old and highly respected citizen of Lawrence, passed away last evening at his home. For a couple of days past, deceased had been sinking and the result was not unexpected. About nip to the last were his loving family. Mr. Frank E. Stowell of Lowell, of the firm of C. M. Young & Co., undertakers, is a son of the deceased.

Joseph Stowell was born in Vermont, April 10, 1824. His boyhood was that of the typical Vermonter, strong, rugged inflexible training and the lessons then learned made of him the man he was through his after life. He came to Lawrence before there was a Lawrence—in fact, he was considered by some as the longest resident, although challenged by others.

Immediate surviving members of his family are a daughter, Mrs. Hattie E. Williams and two sons, Frank E. of Lowell and Orville L. of Lawrence.

Cancer.

Mrs. S. M. Idol, Winston, N. C., writes: "Cancer is hereditary in our family, my father, sister, and aunt having died from this dreadful disease. I was thoroughly alarmed, therefore, when a malignant Cancer appeared on my side, and at once sought the treatment of the best physicians. They were unable to do any good, however, as the Cancer continued to grow worse and spread. I then tried S. S. S., which forced the disease out, and cured me permanently."

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are paying $25.00 per inch per year for advertising space in Lowell papers, with two thousand circulation. This is at the rate of $12.50 per thousand per year. We do not say that they are not getting their money's worth. If any local paper is worth $12.50 per thousand per year, then THE SUN is worth it. At that rate THE SUN, on its present circulation, would be worth $175.00 per inch, but as we ask but $40.00 per inch per year, you can readily see how cheap THE SUN is as an advertising medium.

We ask but $3.00 per inch per year for each thousand of our circulation. Other local papers ask from $5.50 to $12.50 for the same service.

Do You See the Point?

A GOOD SCHEME FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT.

The joint order passed by the common council to petition the legislature for permission to negotiate a loan of $500,000 to create a fund for the permanent improvement of streets is a step in the right direction.

In order that the public may understand this proposition in its true light it may be necessary to explain it more fully.

The order adopted by the common council is as follows:

Ordered, that the joint committee on finance be and hereby is authorized and requested to petition the General Court immediately upon the passage of this order for authority for the city of Lowell to negotiate a 30-year loan of $500,000 five hundred thousand dollars for the permanent paving of the streets of said city, and to appropriate annually from the general treasury fund a sum sufficient to pay the interest on said loan and to establish and maintain a sinking fund to meet the obligation at its maturity.

At first it may seem extravagant to suggest a loan of such a large amount but when we consider that already millions have been spent for the improvement of the public streets without anything permanent to show for the money it is high time to resort to other means.

The sum named would form a nucleus from which the city could draw for the smooth paving of our principal streets in a systematic way, which in time would result in having our streets made permanently good. Statistics of street work and street experiments show that the average cost of maintaining streets in good condition is from 3 1-2 to 5 1-2 cents per yard per annum. The average cost here in Lowell is vastly in excess of this figure and the condition of the streets in spite of the large expenditure is far from satisfactory.

This order is to come before the aldermen at their next meeting and will probably meet with their approval. Then the finance committee will have to draft the measure for submission to the legislature. It rests with the committee whether the bill will be passed this session or whether this matter shall be left to the city council, but judging from the action of the city council in distributing the smooth paving and other street improvements to benefit city officials, it would be well perhaps to incorporate in the measure that the principal business streets shall be first paved, namely, Central street, Merrimack, Prescott, Market, Middlesex, and other streets in the heart of the city require attention, and if this scheme be carried out, they should be the first to be paved, as public convenience and necessity demand.

The loan could be paid by the creation of a sinking fund and the appropriation of a small amount annually to be placed at compound interest for the extinction of the principal.

But perhaps the best feature about this scheme is that it will inaugurate a systematic improvement of our public thoroughfares so that in a few years they will all be in good condition. Then expenses can be cut down as in Dayton, O., and other cities in the west which have secured the best and cheapest streets by methods quite similar to that proposed by Councilman Pickering.

WARD THREE CLUB.

The ward three club is liable to prosecution for usurping the chief cause d'etre of the board of trade in appointing committees to see that the city government shall do its duty. These committees are appointed to take charge of and direct the city government—streets and sewers—lands and buildings—fire department—parks—police—water department—overseers of the poor—school department.

But why should the ward three club stop here? Why not appoint a committee to look after the police board and the police department? Why not have a committee to see that City Messenger Pattee delivers the goods on that trade with a republican councilman, that the republican majority of the city council shall cease to play politics at the city's expense. The city government no doubt needs a guardian and it shows a right spirit on the part of the ward three club to take this method of putting it on the right track.

PATTEE ILLEGALLY APPOINTED CITY MESSENGER.

The office of city messenger has been filled illegally and therefore Mr. Fagan who was displaced by Pattee is still the city messenger. He has a just right to his salary and Pattee has no right whatever to claim the position inasmuch as he has admitted that he was elected on a trade with a councilman in lieu of votes. There were several trades on his election, one of which secured the position as elevator man, another that of assistant janitor, and so on. Now by what means were these positions secured except by Mr. Pattee's trades for votes. He does not seem to realize that there is a law against trading for votes and that the city charter forbids members of the city council to have anything to do with the employment of labor. The supreme court has repeatedly decided that no official chosen by illegal means can legally hold office. Hence Mr. Pattee is not elected and Mr. Fagan is still legally city messenger and can easily remove Pattee from the office by legal methods.

CRISP GOSSIP

Many of the Lowell Elks went to Boston yesterday afternoon and attended the theatrical entertainment for the benefit of Boston lodge.

This is the shortest month in the year and the last winter month.

Have you picked your valentine yet? Feb. 14, Wednesday next, is near at hand.

The man with the shovel and the sand box is the one that should have poems written about him these days.

A gentleman who might be considered good authority for a guess says that Manchester contains 16,000 or 18,000 people of French Canadian extraction, and between 12,000 and 14,000 people of Irish birth or descent. The census of 1900 will show Manchester to be a cosmopolitan community.

Sleighs are not very valuable property this winter.

The book of Job must be in favor with most of the clergy about this time. One has just lost his charge because he did not announce to his congregation his intention to marry, while another is to be tried for heresy. One of these days some absent-minded beggar will ask, "What is heresy?"

A St. Louis man has made the discovery that a cigar contains acetic, formic, citric, valarianic, propionic and prussic acids creosote, phenol, ammonia, sulphuretted hydrogen, nicotine, picoline and some other things he does not know the names of. It is quite evident a man gets a good deal for his money when he buys a cigar.

When you have got through wanting anything, it is pretty apt to come.

We all feel like shaking hands with the man who sees that his horse is blanketed and as far as possible protected from harsh weather when it has stood a long while outside.

One of the most annoying persons is the one who claims to understand you and doesn't.

Mr. Roberts' successor will be a Mormon, but not a polygamist. There are Mormons and Mormons, it seems.

Another cold wave coming! Fill up the coal bin.

The small boy who has a skating surface in his yard is the envied of all his fellows, and has many of the rights of a dictator.

Two well known members of a Lowell church choir had a very unpleasant experience last Sunday evening. The matter has been kept quiet but like all good things leaked out. It seems the two young men went to Lawrence on a visit and while enjoying themselves in the company of two fair daughters of Sotheriville missed the last car for Lowell. As it was imperative that they should reach home that night the disconsolate duo were compelled to have recourse to "Shank's mare" and footed it to Lowell. The walking was terribly bad, the ground being very "slippery cold" as they afterwards told friends. When half way to Centralville bridge, the "Weary Willies" sat down on a siding of a free and while there met two acquaintances who came over the road from Lawrence. Their spirits grew brighter as they could see visions of a ride the remainder of the distance to the Spindle city. Without waiting for an invitation both of the men with the sweet-toned voices stepped upon the wheels of the vehicle and were about to take a seat therein when the driver hit the horse with the whip, causing the animal to give a lurch, throwing the youths to the ground. As the team began vanishing from view, the driver could be heard exclaiming in stentorian tones, "The Walking is Good." It is this exclamation that now brings a blush to the face of the young men when uttered by friends who are "on" to the cold and weary tramp.

The girls that are wanted are good girls,
Good from the heart to the lips;
Pure as the lily is white and pure,
From its heart to its sweet leaf tips.

The girls that are wanted are home girls
Girls that are mother's right hand,
That fathers and brothers can trust, too,
And the little ones love and mind.

Girls that are fair on the hearth-stone,
And pleasant when nobody sees;
Kind and sweet to their own folks,
Ready and anxious to please.

The girls that are wanted are wise girls,
That know what to do and to say,
That drive with a smile and a soft word
The wrath of the household away.

The girls that are wanted are girls of sense,
Whom fashion can never deceive;
Who can follow whatever is pretty,
And see what is silly to leave.

The girls who are wanted are careful girls,
Who count what a thing will cost,
Who use a prudent, generous hand,
But see that nothing is lost.

The girls that are wanted are girls with hearts,
That are wanted for mothers and wives
Wanted to cradle in loving arms
The strongest and frailest lives.

The clever, the witty, the brilliant girls,
There are few who can manage them,
But, oh! for the wife, lady, home girls
There's a steady, constant demand.

It is hoped that Ed Be Sandy, the conqueror of Ben Jordan, the celebrated English pugilist, will take his recent defeat by Terry McGovern like a man and not claim several months hence that he was drugged.

The guests grew weary waiting, Whispers went
The rounds; dark hints of new-arisen trouble;
The groom was nervous and now and then gave vent
To a sigh that bursted as an airy bubble.
The preacher's face the look of wonder caught
Of a Quaker meeting. It was a reminder,
As waited they and yet the bride came not
Until her anxious mother went to find her.
She, at her mirror, lost in contemplation,
Was practicing a look of resignation.

Any fool man shows up well on the retina of a woman's eye.

A Lowell youth is worried by the fact that when a young man is courting a girl she wants him to spend considerable money on her and yet likes to have him close.

Miss Belle Flemming of Paul's Valley, I. T., is only 17 years old and yet she has been admitted to practice law at the bar of the United States court of the northern district of the territory.

The complete disappearance of lockjaw the germ of which is brought to cities in horse fodder, is expected to follow the retirement of the horse.

But few men have self confidence to argue with a pretty woman.

The hardest thing to keep in this world is a diary and a sharp lead pencil.

Many a prosperous man owes his success in life to the advice of his friends which he did not follow.

It depends on the salary a minister draws whether he preaches or officiates.

A man enjoys telling his wife of the girls he made love to in his young days, but let her drop into a reminiscent mood and he immediately proceeds to get mad.

Horses can easily be controlled with an improved bit attachment which consists two hinged levers pivoted on the ends of the bit, with loops for the reins and straps which pass around both jaws to pull on the reins drawing the jaws together to shut off the animal's breathing.

WITH THE PEPOLE

AGAINST DOG THIEVES.

Editor Sun: I notice that dog thieves are again making themselves conspicuous. If some of the dog owners instead of offering a reward for the return of their lost (?) or stolen dogs would only give a little of their time in hunting down these canine pifferers and see that they are brought to justice as they should be, fewer dogs would be reported as missing from their owners' firesides. There is nothing so contemptible as to steal a dog from a man who has brought the animal up from puppyhood and who treats his dog humanely and between whom strong attachments have been formed. Mr. Editor, you can count on me, one reader of The Sun, who will go out of his way to have a dog thief arrested.

Admirer of Man's Truest Friend.

OVERCROWDED STREET CARS.

Editor Sun: Will you kindly voice the complaint of myself and a number of passengers who ride on the early morning cars on the Chelmsford street route? Instead of running three "jumbo" cars, two small cars and one jumbo are used by the street railway company and the little cars are so crowded that it is with difficulty that the conductor can collect the fares. I and several friends who ride mornings into the city to work over this line have repeatedly failed to secure a seat and have accomplished this feat but once in eight weeks and still we give up our five cents without a murmur. I am not writing this as a "kick" against the railway corporation but simply stating a grievance to which a remedy should be applied at once.

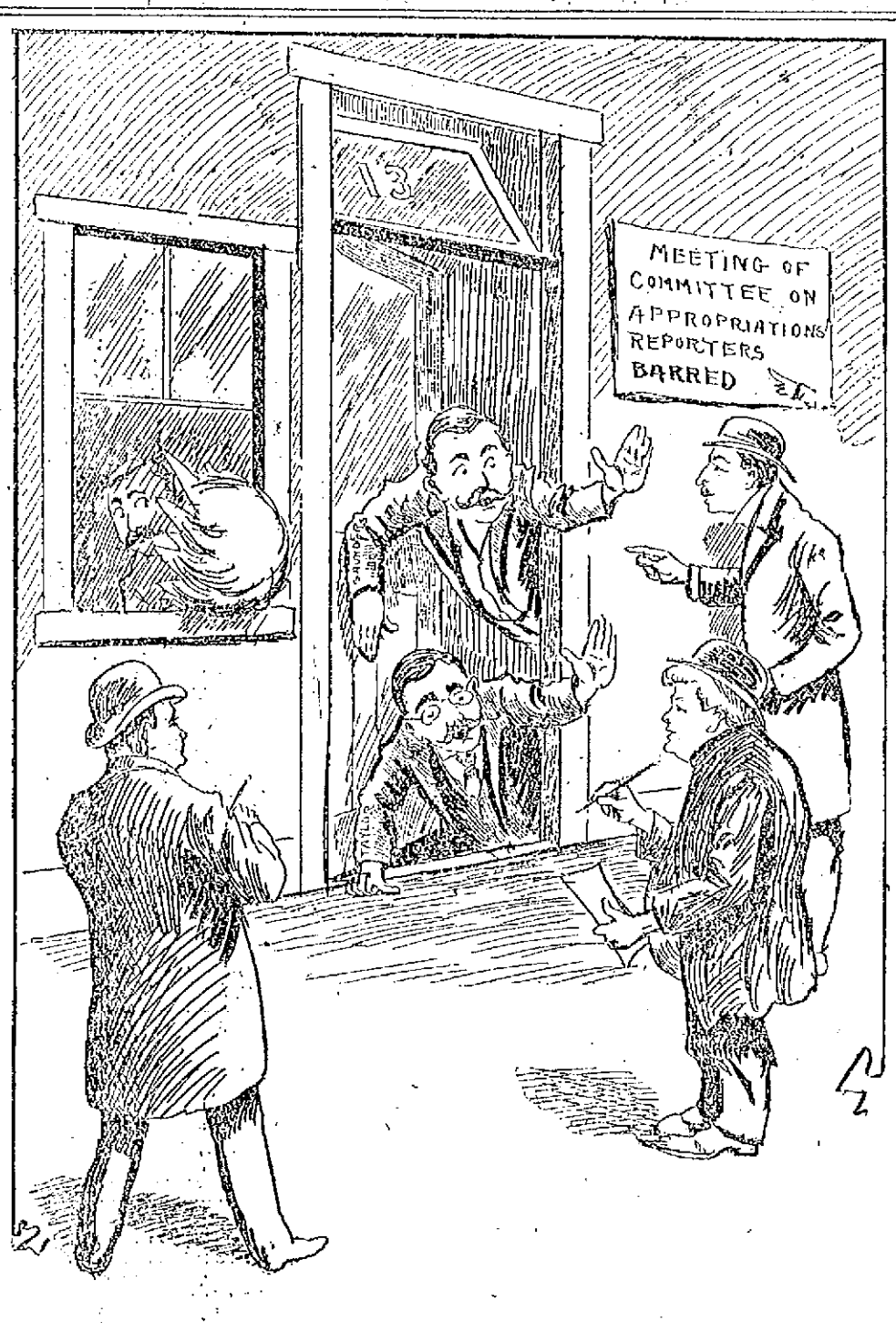
SON OF TOIL.

AIR GUN FIEND.

Editor Sun: I have observed with a great degree of satisfaction the Sun's denouncement of the cigarette habit, and would like to call attention to another nuisance in which the juveniles figure quite prominently. I refer to the boy-with-the-air-gun, who is not content with shooting at cats, dogs and sparrows, but goes about shooting at windows in tenements temporarily unoccupied, breaking glass and in other ways perpetrating malicious mischief with their really dangerous weapons.

The owners of these air guns should have the same restrictions on them as do the owners of weapons in which powder is used.

NUFF CED.



THE ABOVE IS A CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE HOLDING ONE OF ITS FAMOUS STAR CHAMBER SESSIONS.

PUBLIC BEQUESTS

IN THE WILL OF HON. OLIVER H. DURRELL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—The will of the late Hon. Oliver H. Durrell of the governor's council was filed for probate at the office of the register at East Cambridge yesterday. It contains $20,000 in public bequests.

The will gives $5000 to the Cambridge Y. M. C. A. in trust, the income to be applied toward the current expenses of the association.

Two thousand dollars is given to the state executive committee of Massachusetts and Rhode Island to be added to their endowment fund.

A similar sum is left to the trustees of the Preachers' Aid society of the New England Methodist Episcopal conference in trust, to apply the income toward the support of worthy and needy preachers.

A thousand dollars is given to the Wesleyan academy at Wilbraham in trust to be known as the Durrell scholarship fund, the income to be used for the assistance of deserving students therein.

A like sum is bequeathed to the New Hampshire conference and female academy at Tilton, N. H., in trust, to be known as the Durrell scholarship fund, the income to be used for assisting worthy students therein, upon the condition, however, that at the decease of testator, Rev. Jesse M. Durrell is still president of the academy; otherwise the said $1000 is to be paid to Wesleyan academy.

The Avon home for destitute children in Cambridge receives $1000 to be added to its permanent fund.

To the trustees of Boston university $5000 is given, the income to be used for current expenses of the institution.

The will provides that if the estate falls short of $100,000, not counting the life insurance, all bequests before made not including a bequest to mother of testator, are to be reduced one-half.

No other public bequests are made, the remainder of the document providing for private bequests.

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50TH. ANNIVERSARY

OF WEDDING OF FORMER LOWELL COUPLE OBSERVED IN HAVERHILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Blake, formerly of Lowell, on Wednesday observed their golden wedding at their home in Franklin street, Haverhill. The residence was thronged with visitors, many being from out of town, including Lowell friends. The joyous twain were married in the Eagle hotel, Concord, N. H., by Rev. Mr. Parker, and not one of the guests who attended that ceremony is now living.

Mr. Blake was the youngest of a family of eight children, and but one other, Curtis B. Blake, of Cornish, N. H., is now living. Mrs. Blake was one of nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pearson of Franklin, N. H., and not one survives with her. The young couple first came to this city, where Mr. Blake was engaged in the clothing business for a while, adn then in the coal and wood business, and in 1851 they went to Haverhill, where Mr. Blake has since been engaged in the plastering trade. He has been in the fire department for many years, rising to the rank of assistant chief. The marriage has been blest with three sons, Elmer W., Charles E. and Harry Blake, and one daughter, Charlotte M. Blake, who, with two grandchildren, joined in the festivities of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Russell of Cambridge and Mr. and Mrs. R. Hayden of Worcester also assisted in receiving. The ushers were Dr. George A. Spencer, Dr. John H. Preston, F. Jasper Blake, S. A. Jordan, E. O. Quimby, H. A. Rhodes and Bert Knowles. Mayor Chase, members of the city government and city officials were among the guests, as was Samuel Snow of Boston, president of the Forty-Niners' association, Mr. Blake being an enthusiastic member of that organization.

DICK THOMPSON DEAD

WAS SECRETARY OF THE NAVY UNDER HAYES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 9.—Col. Richard W. Thompson died at 1.10 this morning.

Richard Wigginson Thompson, secretary of the navy during the administration of Pres. Hayes, was born in Culpepper county, Va., June 9, 1809. He had passed nearly all the years of his life in Terre Haute and was familiarly known as "Uncle Dick."

He had been personally acquainted with every president of the United States, save three, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams. For several years past he had been the only surviving member of the 27th congress.

DEWEY HONORED

With Mrs. Dewey He Attends Banquet

GIVEN BY THE UNION LEAGUE

Of Brooklyn—Many Distinguished Guests Present

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Admiral and Mrs. George Dewey were the guests of honor at a dinner given by the officers, directors and former officers of the Union League club in Brooklyn last night.

The admiral and Mrs. Dewey arrived shortly after 6 o'clock, escorted by Wm. E. Pulsifer, president of the club, and half an hour later the guests numbering over 100 sat down to the banquet. The admiral's flag was conspicuous above the centre of the guests' table.

Admiral Dewey was seated at the right and Mrs. Dewey at the left of the president. At the conclusion of the dinner letters of regret were read from Pres. McKinley, Rear Admiral Phillip, Secretary Long, Assistant Secretary Allen and Gov. Roosevelt.

The health of Pres. McKinley was drunk in silence, also that of the admiral and Mrs. Dewey, after which three cheers and a tiger were given for each.

President Pulsifer in a speech which recited the battle and victory at Manila bay, and sounded the praises of Admiral Dewey, presented him a handsome gold medal.

In response to President Pulsifer's presentation address, Admiral Dewey said: "For this beautiful gift I thank you from the bottom of my heart and wish to say that all my friend, Lieut. Rees, wished for me on a former occasion has been fulfilled. I have the wealth of the world," (pointing to Mrs. Dewey.)

Lieut. Commander C. P. Rees then recited an original poem, eulogistic of the admiral.

Each guest was given a handsome souvenir plate which bore a picture of the flagship Olympia with the portrait of the admiral below, with the inscription: "Manila bay, May 1, 1898."

"You may fire, Gridley, when ready."

At the close of these ceremonies, the admiral and Mrs. Dewey were presented to diners individually, and they descended to the lower floor, where a general reception was held by the club members and their friends, for which 2500 invitations had been issued.

Among those at the guests' table were Lieut. Gov. Woodruff, Mrs. Chas. V. Gridley, widow of Capt. Gridley, Col. and Mrs. Wm. Hester and Geo. Goodwin Dewey, son of the admiral.

MILL OFFICIAL

DIED AT WOONSOCKET YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Feb. 9.—William Henry Magee, for eighteen years superintendent of the Berkeley company of Berkeley, R. I., and one of the best known cotton mill superintendents in New England, died at his home here yesterday, aged 69 years. He was unmarried. He was born in Maine, spent his boyhood in western Massachusetts and had been connected with mills in Uxbridge, Newburyport and elsewhere.

N. Y. YACHT CLUB OFFICERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The New York Yacht club held its annual election last night and elected the following officers: Commodore, Lewis Cass Ledyard; vice commodore, August Belmont; rear commodore, C. L. F. Robinson; secretary, J. V. S. Oddie; treasurer, F. W. J. Hurst; measurer, Olin W. Hyslop; fleet surgeon, Morris J. Asch; regatta committee, Nicholson Lane, Chester Griswold and William Butler Duncan, Jr.

The following committee on racing rules and routine was appointed with instructions to report at the May meeting: Ex-Commodore E. D. Morgan, Capt. M. I. Lippitt and Archibald Rogers. The date of the annual regatta will be decided upon at the meeting of the club, March 22.

The following were elected honorary members: Sir Thomas Lipton, Secretary of War, Elihu Root; Captain Hobley D. Evans. Resolutions thanking J. Pierpont Morgan and C. Oliver Iselin for the part they took in the defense of the America's cup were adopted.

MAUDE GONNE'S TOUR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 9.—Miss Maude Gonne, "Ireland's Joan of Arc" addressed an audience at the Hyperion Theatre last evening on the subject of "England's War in the Boer land."

TURKEY SUPPER.

At the Middlesex chapel, Middlesex village last evening was held the annual entertainment and turkey supper under the auspices of the Gentlemen's league society. In the early evening the entertainment presented was a pleasing one. There was devotional exercises and song Rev. Mr. Blanchette; reading, Miss Alice Kelley; phonographic selections, by friend; moving pictures closed the entertainment and they were well received.

Following the entertainment supper was provided in charge of John Kelley and he was assisted by Joseph Bowers, Henry Smith, Mr. Ladieu, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Barton, Mr. Dean, Harry McDonald, Roy Keiley, J. N. Bowers, E. Duran.

MEET TONIGHT.

"Spike" Sullivan and Joe Gans will meet at the Broadway Athletic club in New York tonight for a 25-round glove contest.

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CHELMSFORD CENTRE

AN ENJOYABLE OLD-FASHIONED SPELLING BEE.

The good people of the Central Congregational church, Chelmsford Centre, indulged in an old-fashioned spelling bee last evening and it was a very entertaining affair, as spelling bees always are. Rev. E. C. Bartlett, the popular pastor, gave out the words and to watch the boys and girls attack the words with an air of confidence only to fall, was one of the amusing features of the contest. It did not make any difference whether you were a graduate of Chelmsford High school or a college, for the words were not picked to suit any of the contestants. Swift retribution was the fate of the too-confident and it did not take long to spell everyone down. Another spelling bee would not be amiss when the weather is fine.

The third organ recital in the Unitarian church, Chelmsford Centre, was held last evening. Mr. Edgar C. Barrell of Lowell was the organist for the occasion and the sweet-toned instrument was heard to great advantage under his skilful touch. A fair number was present. If the weather had not interfered with the program a much larger audience would have been present.

The ladies of Chelmsford Centre will hold a grand whist tournament in the town hall Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock and it promises to be the most delightful card part held this season. All the ladies of the village as well as those residing in adjacent towns are cordially invited. The tickets are only 25 cents.

NORTH CHELMSFORD.

George H. Foren of Concord Junction is spending a few days at the home of his folks.

Charles Jordan, a Lowell boy, employed in Moore's mill has enlisted in the United States marines, through the Lowell agency.

J. C. Pushee, who died recently in Cambridge, was a cousin of Mrs. Fred K. Ripley of North Chelmsford.

SOUTH CHELMSFORD.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met at the vestry Wednesday afternoon upper was provided by Mrs. Charles O. Robbins and Mrs. Orrin Spaulding.

Deacon Fletcher remains about the same.

Mr. George M. Fletcher, who was slowly improving after his long sickness, has not been so well for the past few days.

The fine skating on Hart Pond was enjoyed by the young people who had a merry party there Saturday evening.

Mr. Newell E. Parker is among those on the sick list.

Mr. Edgar B. Parker of Roston was in town over Sunday.

WEST CHELMSFORD.

The B. & S. club of West Chelmsford held its third annual dance in Marshall's hall on eincsday evening. About 75 couples were present. Music was furnished by Flanigan's singing orchestra. There was a cake walk which proved interesting. Frank McGlinchy of West Chelmsford was general manager and Henry Clarke, floor director. Members of the B. & S. club were aids.

LOWELL B. B. A.

The Lowell B. B. A. team one of the leading local teams will play the Maynard Y. M. C. A. team at Maynard on Saturday night and Manager Ralph Cullen says that his boys will return home victorious as they have been playing a better game lately and they are ready to tackle the Burkes again when the latter team desires to meet them.

Mr. John Collins of Concord street and his wife are being congratulated on the arrival of a baby boy at their home.

Joseph Lavery of Butterfield street left Thursday for Hot Springs, Ark., and Denver, Col. Mr. Lavery may locate permanently in Colorado.

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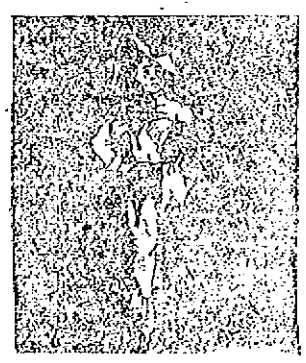

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AGAINST MOLINEUX

Attorney Osborne Makes a Strong Plea for Conviction

He Scathingly Arraigned Lawyer Weeks and Expert Carvalho—Recorder Goff Cautions Counsel Weeke

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Assistant District Attorney Osborne continued his address to the jury in the Molineux case today.

Mr. Osborne spoke of the obligation of a lawyer always defending the client from whom he had accepted a retaining fee.

"And I want to call your attention to the fact that Mr. Weeks, according to his statement, was retained by the defendant's father, a long time before the defendant was ever suspected of having committed the crime."

Mr. Osborne called the jury's attention to the fact that "when the principal witness, Harry Cornish, the man to whom the poison was sent and whose life-long friend was killed by it, was on the stand, there was not one word uttered by him in regard to the man who might have a motive.

"He did not know," said Mr. Osborne "because the man who had this slow burning hatred against him never talked to him about it. He talked to others and it would have been only hearsay evidence."

"This defendant did not go to Cornish," went on Mr. Osborne, "but he went behind his back."

"Why did Detective McCafferty take false specimens of handwriting for Mr. Kinsley? Great God, do I have to answer that question asked by Mr. Weeks of a jury of 12 intelligent men? It was done because one of the greatest crimes of the century had been committed and we wanted to know if this man Kinsley knew his business. And I want to tell you that I put into evidence in this case some specimens of Cornish's handwriting against Mr. Weeks' objections. Mr. Carvalho was not put on the stand because he would have sworn that Molineux did not write the poison package address nor any of the bogus Cornish and Barnet letters."

Then ensued a scathing arraignment of both Mr. Carvalho and Mr. Weeks by the assistant district attorney.

"I tell you, Mr. Weeks," he fairly shouted "that it does not do for a man to leave the advocacy of the truth for the advocacy of false theories. The Anglo-Saxon mind was not made for that. Your mind was meant to search for the truth, not to advocate false theories."

While Mr. Osborne was speaking of some of the reasons why Carvalho was not called, Mr. Weesk asked: "Why did you not call him?"

"Why not I?" queried Mr. Osborne. "Why, what do you take this to be, a farce?"

"If Mr. Carvalho's testimony would have been of any aid to this defendant, Mr. Weeks violated his oath when he did not call him. And God knows Mr. Weeks is the last man to violate his oath to his client."

"I object to these statements," remarked Mr. Weeks.

The recorder leaned forward in his chair and said: "Do you desire to put an argument, Mr. Weeks? This is the fifth time you have interrupted the proceedings this morning."

Later, however, an objection by Mr. Weeks to remarks of a similar character made by Mr. Osborne, was sustained.

Mr. Osborne turned to General Molineux and in a brief eulogy, paid him a splendid tribute upon his record as a soldier and as a member of society.

Mr. Osborne passed on to the matter of handwriting testimony. In which connection he said the arrest of the defendant was due to Expert Ray of Washington, who called Mr. Kinsley's attention to the fact that the word "City" on the poison package address was an exact reproduction of the same word in one of Molineux's admitted letters.

"Mr. Weeks knows Cornish is not guilty. He knew it yesterday when he cast insinuation against him. He has frequently endeavored to deceive this jury when he made the assertions yesterday.

Mr. Weeks objected but was not sustained.

Mr. Weeks objected but was not sustained.

"There is such a thing as reputation in this life that is dearer than life itself. There is such a thing as honor. And yet this defendant was given an opportunity by his counsel to have his innocence proven. If Mr. Weeks can have him acquitted of the charge, that is all he wants."

THE NAVAL BILL

Was Read in the Reichstag Today

ADMIRAL TIRPITZ INTRODUCED THE BILL

Necessity of German Fleet Recognized

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The first reading of the naval bill took place in the Reichstag today. The secretary of the admiralty, Admiral Tirpitz and secretary of the interior, Count Von Posadowsky-Wehner, and the secretary of the treasury, Baron Von Thielman, were present.

A photographic apparatus was conspicuous in the gallery for the purpose of reproducing the historic scene.

Admiral Tirpitz in introducing the bill said the historical events of the last two years had spoken in such clear language that the necessity of a strong fleet for Germany has been recognized in ever widening circles in the country. Those in favor of a great navy and those opposed to it differed essentially in regard to the scope, date and period of carrying into effect the form in which the question should be dealt with. But the reasons for increasing the navy could be summed up in a few words. The discrepancy between Germany's naval power and that of other countries was so great that the Federal government saw therein a distinct danger if allowed to continue. Indeed the danger appeared all the greater as the commercial competition of the world according to all calculations would become more severe during the next decade. Any one desiring to examine the question of the navy must clearly understand that it is impossible to improvise navies. On the contrary, many years are required for their establishment. Least of all is it possible to improvise navies in the hour of danger. With this fact, he added, Germany will have to reckon.

The creation of navies, the secretary of the admiralty continued, not only presents difficulties of a financial order, but above all, is a question of material. When a clear idea has been formed regarding the increase of the fleet itself, the next question will be how should it be affected? He recently had the opportunity to point out to the house that Germany cannot know what adversaries she may some day have to deal with and it was therefore necessary to adopt the principle of providing for the most dangerous opponent. To make an attempt to provide for every possible contingency would lead to an ineffectual decision of power. As far as one could see, it would be incompatible with the financial possibilities. The most dangerous war for Germany to be in would be one in which her army could not be used at the outbreak. In such a war Germany would require solely a strong fleet.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

JOHN E. VINING DESPONDENT OVER LONG SICKNESS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 8.—Because of despondency, the result of a long sickness, John E. Vining, residing at 34 Brook street, committed suicide yesterday by drinking laudanum. He leaves a widow and one child. The remains are to forwarded to Lowell for burial. Coroner H. D. Lord decided that suicide was apparent and an inquest unnecessary.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ESCANABA, Mich., Feb. 8.—The National Cooperage and Woodenware company's plant was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at $250,000.

A SERIOUS BLAZE

Dartmouth Students Lose Some of Their Property

ONE STUDENT WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED

The Loss Will be About $36,000

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 8.—The most serious fire that has occurred in Hanover since the conflagration which wiped out the business section thirteen years ago broke out in the elegant Davison block at Golden corner, near Dartmouth college at an early hour this morning and destroyed the structure, causing a total loss of $36,000. Many Dartmouth students who occupied rooms in the building, lost their belongings and one of them, H. E. Kelnar, Newark, N. J., a member of the freshman class, were severely injured by coming in contact with electric light wires.

The fire started at 12.30 o'clock between the second and third floors, presumably from defective wires, and when discovered by a number of students it had worked upward through the partitions and was rapidly extending to all parts of the interior. As the fire alarm was disabled there was considerable delay in sounding the alarm. Several students rang the college bell and finally the fire apparatus of the town reached the scene. So rapid was the spread of the fire that many of the students had barely time to gather their clothing before the floors began to give way. H. E. Kelner who touched a live wire, was overcome by the current and was picked up insensible. He was rescued by several students who also were slightly shocked by the wire.

The entire block was burned and it was only by the most difficult kind of work that nearby buildings were saved. Conspicuous among the fire fighters were the Redingtons, twin brothers, of Chicago and several of the football players.

The building was occupied on the ground floor by Davison & Ward, general store. The loss on their stock is $5000. L. K. Mead, druggist, had apartments on the second floor and his loss is about $300. The Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity had elegant rooms which occupied the remainder of the second floor. The furnishings were consumed together with the oldest fraternity library at Dartmouth, which numbered among its contents manuscripts and books valued at $1000.

The third floor was occupied by students. It is estimated that the boys lost from $1200 to $1500 worth of effects.

The Davison block was built in 1869 at a cost of $65,000. It has been owned for the past thirteen years by F. W. Davison, president of the Dartmouth Savings bank. The loss on the block is $6,000 and the insurance amounts to $10,000.

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MINORITY REPORT

ON THE PUERTO RICO TARIFF BY DEMOCRATS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The minority report on the Puerto Rican tariff by the democrats is signed by all the democratic members of the ways and means committee and by Representative Newlands, the silver member of that committee. It says in part:

"The undersigned members of the committee are unable to agree with the conclusions of the committee in respect to the bill reported to regulate the trade with Puerto Rico and other purposes and respectfully submit our views as follows:

The bill raises two questions which might be considered and determined:

1. The right or power under our written constitution to enact the measure.

2. Whether if we have the power, should congress exercise it in the manner provided in the bill.

The bill is framed on the idea and the assumption that congress enters upon the government of Puerto Rico unrestrained by the provisions of the constitution."

The report then takes up the constitutional provision that all duties, etc., shall be "uniform throughout the United States" and presents the law decisions that the term "United States" has universal application to territory held. The branch of the subject has previously been covered in a special report. Proceeding, the report says:

"If the position taken by the majority of the committee in recommending the passage of the bill be the correct one and congress has the power to govern territory of the United States independent of the limitations of the constitution, it must follow that congress is not restrained by that instrument from passing laws imposing customs duties on the minerals and ores of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, the furs and fish of Alaska, the lumber of Oklahoma and of all other products of these territories when imported into any of the states of the Union and also the importations of products of every kind into the territories from the states or any one of them. The power to pass such laws was never befaoib, zbazo our land.

"It is wholly inconsistent with the theory and form of government. The exercise of such power is pure and simple imperialism and against which we enter our most solemn protest. We never have held and cannot hold territory as political dependency and subject to unequal taxation. Our union is one of the states with a common interest and a common destiny. The blessings of a free government rest alike upon all of our people whether in the 13 original states, or in the youngest member of the union, or in the newest acquired territory. It does not matter in which form territory is acquired, it is to be held under our constitution with the object of finally being admitted into the Union as a state. In support of this doctrine the decisions of the supreme court are uniform and in harmony with the doctrine herein enunciated.

"Why was it the people of that island so gladly welcomed Gen. Miles and the armies of the United States in July, 1898, when they invaded their territory and struck down the power of Spain? Was it not because they believed that as the shackles of Spain were stricken from them, they were to be admitted to the immunities and blessings of our liberal institutions, as well as our enlightened civilization. We were told our soldiers were hailed as redeemers."

After calling attention to the president's recent recommendation for the abolition of all customs duties between Puerto Rico and the United States and the report of the secretary of war to the same effect, the report concludes as follows:

"We do not know why these sudden changes have occurred. We cannot believe that the president has been converted from the opinion he so lately expressed or that he now admits the unwisdom of the solemn advice he so recently gave congress. We are not advised that his opinion was hastily formed and that he has not maturely considered the subject upon which he was advising us.

"We do not believe the people of this land, ardently attached as they are, to our free institutions, can be brought to favor a policy which oppresses the inhabitants of territory owned by the United States anywhere, and over which the flag of the republic floats, even if such a policy should serve in a degree to enrich some citizens of the Union. We protest earnestly against the adoption of a robber policy, which makes this republic take the place of the ruthless monarchy, Spain, in despoiling Puerto Rico, now a portion of the United States.

"We recommend that the pending bill do not pass."

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GEORGE B. McCLELLAN,
FRANCIS G. NEWLANDS,
S. B. COOPER.

MILL OFFICIAL IN COURT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FALL RIVER, Feb. 8.—The officials of the Hargrave mills were summoned into the local police court this morning the employment of women and minors 58 hours per week. The point at issue is said to be that the mill employed in its night force an operative who worked elsewhere during the day though the complaint was not read in court. Lawyer Milton Reed asked for time in which to study the case and the case was postponed for one week.

WILL POST $500.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 8.—The managers of the National Athletic club, which, according to advices from the prize fight, state that they will at once put up the $500 for felt. The place for holding the fight has not been decided upon, but the prices of admission will range from $2 to $10.

MILLER CAUGHT

Franklin Syndicate Man Arrested in Canada

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—William F. Miller, the absconding head of the Franklin Syndicate, Brooklyn, was brought to police headquarters in this city today by former Captain of Detectives Reynolds of Brooklyn. Miller was arrested in Canada.

BIBLE LECTURES.

The Christadelphians have arranged an interesting course of Bible lectures to be given in Engineers' hall, Wyman's exchange by Mr. Thomas Williams, editor of the Christadelphian Advocate, Chicago.

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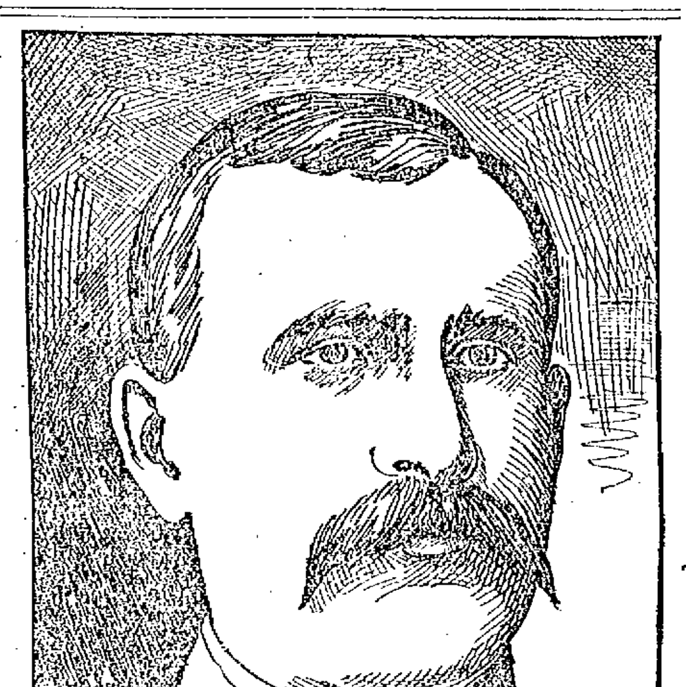

BRIG. GEN. HECTOR McDONALD, WHO IS ON THE RIGHT OF THE BOERS AT MAGERSFONTEIN.

BILLERICA CENTRE

MR. SIDNEY BULL SPEAKS INTERESTINGLY OF HIS SOUTHERN TRIP.

Mr. Sidney Bull and son Leslie returned home from a pleasure tour in the south yesterday noon. They left Billerica Jan. 15 and proceeded to Washington, D. C., where they stayed one week. From there they went to Richmond, Va., thence to Charleston, S. C., and from there through Savannah Ga., to Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. Bull describes his journey in Florida as follows: "I took the boat on the Ochlawaha river and on my journey I saw many alligators, one of which was 14 feet in length. At Silver Springs, the source of the Ochlawaha river we anchored our boat in the small harbor. At the source of the river it is 82 feet deep and I could see the pebbles on the bottom. I was mystified where the water flowed from but I learned that it was a mystery. I was 270 miles south of the Florida line and did not see an orange tree, only the shoots of the trees which were frozen in the winter of '94-'95. Thursday morning, Feb 1, there was an eighth of an inch of ice on the mud puddles on the streets in Jacksonville, Fla. My son and I also visited St. Augustine and Fort Marion. In the former place we were allowed a privilege seldom granted to people, to visit the cabins used by the Spanish in 1565."

Mr. Bull has brought home two live alligators which are about six inches in length. He has also brought two canes, one of which is polished orange wood, carved by natives, besides silver souvenirs. Mr. Bull and son enjoyed the trip immensely.

There will be a social guild in the Unitarian church Friday night. The committee in charge are Miss Carrie Knowles and Mr. Earl C. Davis. The chaperons will be Mrs. John Richardson, Miss Lucy Foster, Miss Annie Dodge and Miss Luella Hutchins.

Following is a very sensible and pertinent communication from a resident of Billerica Centre:

Billerica Centre, Feb. 7, 1900.

Mr. Editor: The citizens of Billerica Centre have presented a very lengthy petition, signed by five hundred of its prominent citizens, to the Lowell and Suburban street railway company for a reduction from a ten cent to a five cent fare. Their grievances cause more discussion in their town than the Boer war. They claim that many of their number are forced to walk a distance of two miles and then to wait in all kinds of weather for late cars, in order to reach Lowell for five cents. Then the registers do not show the directors that they represent the Centre patrons. A family of five who travel daily are about to leave town on this account.

Their neighbors in all the other suburbs are not asked to pay ten cents, five cents down and the other five when half the trip is made. Many prefer to drive to Lowell rather than pay twenty cents for the trip for each member of the family. Those who work in Lowell and travel daily pay five dollars more every three months than the Boston and Maine railroad charges for the same distance. Every one from the Centre working in Lowell and traveling daily for the last five years, has paid into the company three hundred and twelve dollars out of his earnings.

After all, is it any wonder that the authorities of the town are more interested in the five cent fare than a war in Africa?

WILLIAM RICA.

LOWELL HORSEMAN

AND SOME OF THE FAST STEPPERS HANDLED BY HIM.

Jack Carney, the well known horse handler and trainer, of this city, who has been recently employed in Manchester, is now in the employ of ex-Mayor James W. Bennett and is getting into shape the well known fast chestnut colt "Markle McGregor," by Hood's "McGregor."

"Jack," as Mr. Carney is familiarly called, has had excellent good luck with horses since he first started in, some fifteen years ago, with Frank Harris, now proprietor of Wannalancit Park, North Chelmsford.

After leaving the employ of the latter, Mr. Carney then engaged with the veteran Jake Stone, the well known Granite State Horseman. After remaining with the latter gentleman six years Mr. Carney started in business for himself with good success. It might be here stated that during his engagement with Mr. Stone the Lowell man had charge of such fast steppers as Sylvester K., Johnnie Knott and Hi Wilkes. In the year 1893, Mr. Stone as driver and Mr. Carney as handler, with this trio of "flyers" won first money 28 times on New England tracks.

Before coming to Lowell recently, Mr. Carney had charge of the fast steppers at Manchester belonging to P. Harrington. With Berdeaux he started in eleven races, winning nine first, one second and one third money prizes. He gave this horse a mark of 2.15.

Elec-Brino started four times by Mr. Carney and finished twice with first money, once with second and once with third money and received a mark of 2.21 1-2.

Mr. Carney also had great success with Daisy Mack, 2.29 1-2; Capt. Cressey, 2.26 1-2; and Young Nelson, 2.29 1-2.

When John Moulton was suspended last season Mr. Carney took the former's string of horses and won a position in every race in which he started. It is among the possibilities that Mr. Carney will be seen in charge of the stables at North Chelmsford track at least his friends hint it for "Jack" is a hustler from the word "go."

CONFERENCE HELD

BETWEEN MR. WHITE AND COMMITEE OF TRIKERS.

A meeting was held at the American house yesterday, of Mr. White, representing the American Hide and Leather company and the committee representing the strikers. A member of the state board of arbitration was present. Satisfactory progress was reported and an adjournment taken till next week.

MUSICALE AND SOCIAL.

A very enjoyable musicale and social was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Work, No. 1 Carpet Corporation. A pleasing program given during the evening included mandolin selections by Dr. Snyder, mandolin and guitar trios by the Misses Whitcomb and phonograph selections by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Walltimore. At the conclusion of the program a dainty repast was served, Mrs. G. Bell and Miss C. Worden pouring. After this the evening was spent informally, the festivities continuing to a late hour. Among those present were Overseer Scott M. Bickford and wife, Overseer Edwin S. Eastman and wife, Thomas Collins, superintendent of the Brussels department of the Lowell Manufacturing company, Francis Day of Chelmsford, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parsons of Tewksbury, Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Foster, Miss Rose Slye, Mr. and Mrs. John Morse, Carlos Hubbard and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Snyder, Miss Bertha Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McPhail.

LARGELY ATTENDED SOCIABLE

The sociable by the Charitable Association of the Highland Congregational church, last evening, was largely attended notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. Supper was served in the vestry during the first part of the evening, after which a general social time was enjoyed with music and games, to a seasonable hour.

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SMOKE TALK.

A pleasant entertainment and smoke talk was held by the Elmira Associates last evening at their rooms in the National Bank building, Central street. The entertainment consisted of: Songs, James Carey; duet, James Lalor and Francis Rohan; recitations, Thomas Halligan; solos, Henry Carr; buck and wing dance, Jeremiah Mack.

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THE SULTAN IS ONE OF THE THREE RICHEST MONARCHS IN THE WORLD.

DOES IT PAY TO BE A KING.

The Salaries Received by Rulers and the Amounts They are Able to Save from the Income of a Kingly Crown.

Does it pay to be a king?

This question, very often asked and as seldom answered, is one that interests the whole world. There are those who think that besides the honor of it, there is no emolument associated with the responsibility of ruling a great government. But the computed private fortunes of the world's greatest sovereigns, especially those of Europe, show that though uneasy may lie a kingly head, the state of unrest is so grandly remunerative that it would allow a most comfortable subsistence should the reposer be suddenly relieved of his sovereignty and compelled to live in retirement.

While it is considered the worst of form in court circles to discuss the private wealth of kings and queens, it is a well-known fact that their finances are gossiped about, and so loudly, too, that information regarding the pecuniary standing of monarchs escapes to the curious world without. For instance, everyone knows that Queen Victoria is the richest sovereign in Europe, if not in the world.

Here is an estimate of her private possessions:

- Annual income from nation, $1,925,000.
- Revenues from Duchy of Lancaster, $300,000.
- Estates in Ireland, Scotland, France, Italy and Wales.
- The famous Koh-i-noor diamond worth $3,500,000.
- Money invested to the amount of $50,000,000.

Yet, in spite of these figures, there are those who claim that the sum of Her Majesty's fortune when made known definitely will be comparatively small. They argue that Victoria is one of the most sympathetic and generous sovereigns in Europe, adding that her money is eaten up by pet charities, private salaries and pensions; and then there is the issue en scene of royalty to be kept up which requires an enormous amount of money. Her Majesty's wealth consists principally of jewels and cash; for since she relinquished her claim to many of the land properties of the crown in return for the $180,000 civil list allowance, years ago, her riches are exceeded in real estate possessions by those of the Czar of Russia.

But even these vast landed riches do not place Nicholas II. next on the list of millionaires on thrones. This enviable position is reserved, strange as it may seem, for Abdul Hamid, the Sultan of European Turkey, who manages to get away with $5,000,000 yearly in the maintenance of his harem and the provision of other luxuries. But if Abdul Hamid's subjects were to rise in revolt and dethrone him these are some of the possessions which he would have to fall back on:

- A private fortune of $12,000,000. What he is able to "knock down" from a civil list of $4,000,000.
- Investments in other countries yielding an annual income of $1,500,000.
- A jewel-embroidered wardrobe worth $3,000,000.
- Rings and other ornaments computed to have cost $1,500,000.

But it must not be thought for a moment that the Sultan is satisfied with these riches. Far to the contrary, he longs to be known as the wealthiest man in all the world, and is constantly reaching out for additional wealth, while enjoying every luxury that money can procure. The magnificence of the Sultan's wardrobe is proverbial, and a set of diamond buttons for one of his court robes is only one of a large number of recent extravagances.

Of the sums which are hidden away in the coffers of Czar Nicholas II., little is known. He, however, owns vast lands in Siberia and the following record of a portion of his wealth shows that there would still be enough to support Her Majesty the Czarina and the little Grandduchesses should her royal spouse some morning awake and find himself suddenly dethroned and compelled to seek his own livelihood in a less austere manner:

- A million square miles of cultivated Russian lands.
- Gold and other mines in Siberia.
- Largest cream-colored horses in the world.
- Revenues from real estate to the amount of $15,000,000 a year.
- Savings from a $5,000,000 civil list.

A sparkling addition to this list is the Orloff, one of the diamond wonders of the world. This remarkable gem weighs one hundred and ninety-four and a quarter carats, and is set in the sceptre of His Majesty. The Orloff was purchased in the year 1774 by the Armenian Schaffras, who sold it to Catherine II. of Russia for half a million roubles, a pension of twenty thousand roubles and a patent of nobility. The Shah, another diamond which is a perfect mass of fire and brilliancy, is also contained in His Majesty's jewel casket. These two gems alone would bring a fortune if put on sale.

Many handsome jewels, fine lands and the most magnificent collection of photographs in the world belong to the Belgian monarch, but his reverses have been so many that it is difficult to tell how much of his once imperial fortune remains.

William II., the versatile Emperor of Germany, has a stock of this world's goods that contrasts strikingly with that of his neighbor sovereign, Leopold. His dual office of Emperor of Germany and King of Prussia makes him rich beyond all dreams of avarice. These are only a few of the resources upon which he could draw were he to become simply a prince with no other office than that to which a royal birth naturally admits him:

- Four great palaces and fifty lesser ones and castles.
- Savings from an annual civil list of $3,853,000.
- Private income of $9,000,000 a year.
- Jewels whose sale would bring at least $2,500,000.

Added to these riches, which are sufficient to satisfy a man of most Croesuean desires is the royal crown treasure of $300,000,000, founded by Frederick William III., comprising the domains of Flatow, Krojanke and Fraudenforf; the Fredeikommiss of Prince Carl and the House of Fredeikommiss of the Hohenzollerns.

The Empress, too, has a snug little fortune that figures into seven numbers, to which she has added constantly from the liberal allowances made her by her royal husband.

The private fortune of Franz Josef has been recorded in such a contradictory manner, and there are so few people who have an insight into the sovereign's finances that it is impossible to give an exact idea of his possessions. These, however, are known to be his personal property:

- An income of $1,000,000 yearly from private sources.
- Profits from civil list of $1,000,000.
- Jewels left by the late Empress worth $3,000,000.
- Also enormous cash deposits in the Bank of England.

Emperor Franz Josef came into possession of a great deal of the wealth left by his wife, the late Empress Elizabeth, which included valuable real estate. Her Majesty's Viennese possessions were famous the world over. The palace at Corfu, recently sold, was worth a fabulous sum, and its furnishings alone cost something over a million.

Though King Christian of Denmark was a poor man when he ascended the throne, he is now numbered with the richest of the world's sovereigns. Much of his wealth has been brought into the family by advantageous marriages, notably that of his son to Louise of Sweden. But through his own thriftiness, King Christian has accumulated a goodly store of this world's goods.

The unique and charming spectacle which the assembly of King Christian's court presents during the summer months at his country seat is known wherever court news is circulated. This is one of the finest old castles in Europe, and would alone support His Majesty in regal style were he deprived of his throne and its emoluments. Fredenborg is situated on the Lake Esrom and is surrounded by a magnificent park, combining forest glades with cultivated loveliness in a manner too artistic to describe.

King Oscar of Sweden, who loves the good things of life, has but a small civil list with which to produce them. His private fortune, however, includes many valuable lands and the savings of the labors of nearly thirty years, which ought to be a goodly sum. They include:

- Several charming country palaces throughout Norway and Sweden.
- A private yacht which would easily bring half a million.
- Money invested which yields $2,000,000 yearly.
- And the customary civil list gains of over $600,000.

His Majesty has an immensely wealthy relative in his brother Carl XV., but the most of the latter's fortune he bequeathed to his daughter Louise upon her marriage with the Crown Prince of Denmark; so it is not at all certain that any of this wealth will revert to her uncle, though the Princess is very fond of her "Uncle Oscar."

The large lucrative estates of Queen Wilhelmina made her a very rich young woman, and to these revenues she adds the savings from a civil list of $600,000 allowed her by the good old Netherlanders. Her castle at Loo is the most beautiful and highest valued of her landed possessions.

One king may complain to another of the parsimony of his subjects in the matter of royal grants, but if the sums which are hidden away in royal coffers could be glanced at by the world at large, it would be found that there is not a ruler in Europe but who has saved enough from his or her earnings to keep away the wolf from the door should by any mishap their throne and sovereignty be confiscated.

PATRIOTIC POSE FOR A LAD.

A YOUNG MILLIONAIRE OF WHOM MUCH IS EXPECTED.

GREAT PAINTER

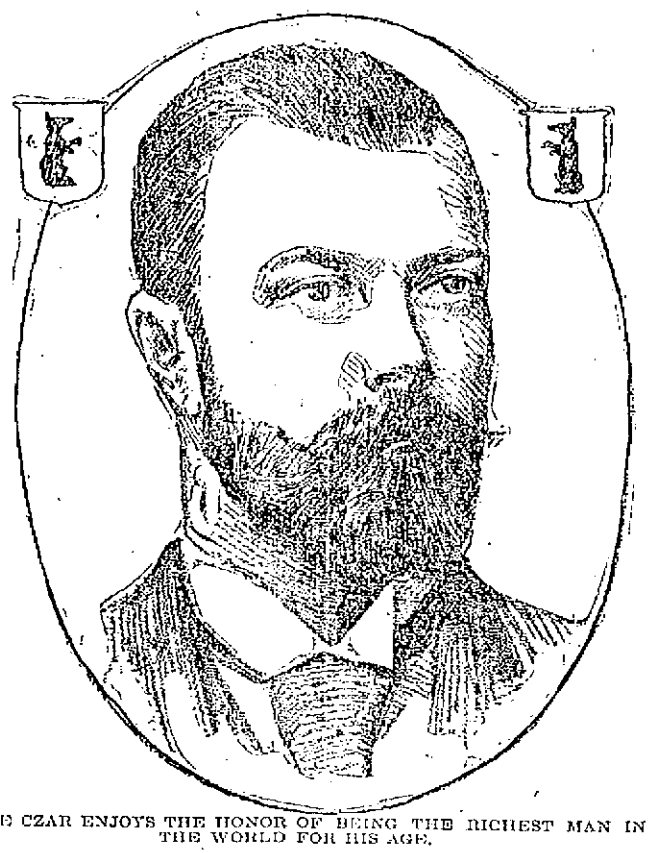
TALKS OF HIS

SMALL MODELS.

He Says There is a Trick in Catching the Look of Innocence Upon a Child's Face.

"There is but one universal characteristic of children," said Boutet de Monvel, the great French child painter, "and that is innocence."

M. de Monvel has lately come from Paris to make a study of American children. He probably knows more about children than any other man in the world. He has studied them all his life, and painted pictures of them, from the baby royal to the little peasant children of the vineyards and the urchins of the city streets.



THE CZAR ENJOYS THE HONOR OF BEING THE RICHEST MAN IN THE WORLD FOR HIS AGE.

"If you were a painter," continued M. de Monvel, "always watching out for new types and ideals, you would realize how great is the field of children."

"But how can there be more types of children than of others? Are we not all children grown old?"

"That's just the trouble," replied M. de Monvel, "and we outgrow the type mature, we all follow the same fashions, in dress, manners, conversation, deportment. We aim to be self-controlled. We are a good deal like everyone else, at least outwardly.

"Children, however know no self-control. They recognize no fashions, either in dress or mannerism. They are themselves; they are natural; they are adorable. They say what they think, and often they think wise things. Fortunately, they don't know it. It would spoil them.

"It is knowledge that spoils us all, and robs us of individuality, for we all learn the same things. We are like sets of encyclopaedia, with variations in the binding.

THEY OBEY INSTINCT.

"Then, children do whatever natural instinct prompts. They are not guided nor limited by conventionality, for they don't know what conventionality is. That also is fortunate, for the painter as well as the children. It enlarges the field; it suggests new subjects. The innocent, artless, natural things that children do create thousands of new impressions, and it is from impressions that the artist works."

"But you are a portrait artist."

"It is the same. Do you think I would have my children sit in a stiff-backed chair or stand upon a pedestal while I paint them? Oh, no. I paint not from their figures but from the impressions they create. I ask them not to stand and look at me, but to visit with me and be natural and forget I am to put them on canvas.

"They come into my rooms and look about. Some of them like the flowers or the pictures or the knick-knacks or the toys. They are not quiet long; it is a matter of but five or ten minutes before they show their natural tendencies. Some may be mischievous, others sad; some may be fretful and nervous, others careless and gay. Their temperaments soon create an impression upon me. It is from the impression I work. Look at this."

M. de Monvel moved toward an easel at the end of the room, one of the long, high-ceiled chambers at the top of a fashionable New York apartment house, which the famous painter of children has transformed into a bower of beauty by his artistic touches.

There are soft draperies and easy chairs, divans and rare ornaments; but these are lost in the general impression which is a medley of flowers and painted children's faces of every nationality, every class, every degree of beauty, and in the midst of it all, towering above it all, like a huge sketch in black and white, Boutet de Monvel himself, who wins the hearts of children as if by magic and loves them in return.

PORTRAIT OF BLAINE'S GRANDSON.

M. de Monvel lifted the covering from the easel to which he had called my attention. The painting was a water color of the grandson of James G. Blaine. The tints were so soft and harmonious as to be soothing; the boy looked as if he were about to speak.

"Now, can you note any difference between that painting and a photograph?" asked the artist, standing back and viewing his work in true artistic pose.

Yes, there certainly was a difference, apparent to the most untutored eye. More marked than the beauty of coloring was a certain realness that seemed to give insight into the character of the boy.

"It is because I work from the impression and not the figure. When I had discovered the little fellow's nature, which is a delicate, sensitive one, I had the material for my painting, and his temperament dominated me at all times while I worked on his picture.

"How did I come to paint children? Well," said M. de Monvel, as we sat down to the perusal of some of his recent work, "it happened that the children liked me, and I got along nicely with them; I don't know why."

Perhaps if M. de Monvel could see the kindliness in his brown eyes as other people see it, he might understand the reason for his success.

"I never found them troublesome," he continued, "and I believe that is the reason many artists have for not wishing to undertake children; they are too difficult to pose. But as I never pose them, I am not confronted with that difficulty."

"The children I know and understand. They are like open books that I can read or babbling brooks with no bridges to hide their surface, and clear water that lets me look down to the river bed.

"But the ladies!" he ejaculated with a sigh; "they are a great study for one little lifetime; the children are much simpler, the results are quicker."

"And where are they most interesting and pretty, these child pets of yours?"

"Interesting and pretty?" repeated M. de Monvel. "You don't make the one dependent upon the other, do you? For, you know, the most interesting children are not the pretty ones. Beauty, as the term is usually accepted, means regularity of features, and that suggests evenness of temperament and an average character. It is the homely little children who interest me. If any of them may be called so, with the light of innocence suffusing their faces.

"The homely ones are easier to paint. You did not think that? But it is true, quite true. The little irregularities are a pleasure to paint; they are a novelty, and the individuality of the face consists in those differences.

"But the people with regular features, their individuality consists more in expression and coloring, and the indefinable something which is finesse, and that is not so simple to reproduce on canvas.

"Look at this dear little face."

M. de Monvel picked up a pencil sketch of the homeliest child I had ever seen.

"Isn't that delicious? There isn't a good feature in it; the eyes are small, mouth large, nose tip tilted, hair tawny and straight, yet she's one of the dearest little creatures I've found since I came to America. It took about seven lines to draw her whole irregular little face and produce her impulsive, irregular character. She resembles somewhat the French children.

FRENCH AND YANKEE CHILDHOOD.

"The difference? Well, it's hard to define it. The French children are sweet and shy and impulsive, though they seem by nature to have their impulses under restraint. The children of America are almost invariably pretty of feature; but they seem wilful; they are spoiled, I think. They are encouraged to have decided opinions of their own, and they have a way of pushing them to a conclusion which could be no more positive if they were in the prime of life.

"The children here are also very self-contained, while in France they are almost invariably diffident. It is noticeable, even to the street gamins. The children of the Paris streets are not nearly so venturesome as those of New York.

"There is an interesting group that is thoroughly typical."

M. de Monvel held toward the light a beautiful water color of five French peasant children, at play in a meadow.

"Does it tell you anything?" asked the artist, anxiously.

"It tells me they are shy," I responded, for there was an air of diffidence manifest even in the set of the short-waisted frocks and the chin strings of the peasant bonnets.

"There is a good illustration of a type that perishes with its teens," said the artist; "there are no children in the world so full of refreshing sweetness as the peasant children of France; but it is annihilated by toil and the lapse of years, and those," concluded M. de Monvel, "are two of the crudest masters in the world; they annihilate everything.

"If I could follow my own bent I would make just one picture a year, and it would be such a picture as I would wish to live! I would not be the one selected to paint certain models, but I would select my own subject, my own model, put into it my own inspiration; and then work; how I would work for its perfection! But that, I suppose, is the dream of all artists.

"We would live to paint, but we must paint to live. Bread and butter is an inartistic motive, it is prosaic, but"—a very French shrug for emphasis—"it is essential."

THE YOUNGEST HEROINE OF THE HORSE SHOW.

HELEN CRUIKSHANK, WHO RODE GRACEFULLY MAN-FASHION, ON HER PONY "PATTY."

A LIFELIKE AND GRACEFUL POSE FOR A CHILD FOND OF OUTDOOR LIFE.

IF ASKED IF IT PAID TO BE A QUEEN, VICTORIA COULD ANSWER IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

THE BOERS HAVE NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO FIGHT IN THE OPEN, BUT SEEK ALWAYS THE SHELTER OF THE HILLS.

AN EXCELLENT ILLUSTRATION OF THE WAY OOM PAUL'S MEN FIGHT.

FACTORS OF SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

By Major-Gen. Nelson A. Miles, Commanding the United States Army.

In considering the subject of modern warfare it might be well to make a few comparisons in order to show the changed conditions resulting from the use of modern weapons. Notwithstanding the fact that those now in use are far more powerful than any before invented or used by man, the loss of life in battle has gradually diminished as the use of long-range weapons has become general. Greater distances are maintained between the lines of hostile forces and great masses of troops are not exposed to fire. The firing lines are not such conspicuous targets, being formed of men in single or double rank, who can occasionally resort to cover.

The theater of war covers a more extensive territory, and yet, with all the changes, the same principles of strategy and grand tactics prevail now as thousands of years ago, and victory or disaster depends just as frequently upon the skill of the commanders.

The losses in battles of modern times, as compared with the times of Frederick the Great and Napoleon, are considerably less.

WAR LOSSES GROWING LESS.

The ancient battles of the Romans were the most sanguinary in history, the fighting being hand to hand, resulting usually in annihilation of the defeated army. At the battle of Cannae, in which 77,000 Romans were engaged, 44,000 were killed or wounded and 25,000 were taken prisoners, while the loss of the Carthagenians, who were victorious, was only 6,000.

At Lundy's Lane, the severest engagement of the war of 1812, the Americans lost 1,200 men out of 6,000 (20 per cent.) and the British 900 out of 2,800 (32 per cent.).

The two great battles of the age in point of loss are Waterloo and Gettysburg, and between them there is a remarkable similarity both in numbers engaged and extent of casualties. At Waterloo the French numbered 80,000 men and 252 guns; the Allies numbered 72,000 men and 186 guns. At Gettysburg the Union army numbered 82,000 men and 300 guns; the Confederates 70,000 men and 250 guns. At Waterloo Wellington's army lost 23,185, or 32 per cent.; at Gettysburg Meade's army lost 23,003, or 28 per cent.

In the Crimean war the British loss in killed and wounded in the battle of the Alma was 2,012 out of a total force engaged of 21,500, the percentage being 9, and they lost 2,357 men out of 7,464 engaged at the battle of Inkermann, or a percentage of 31.

During the great Civil war, from 1861 to 1865, there were enlisted in the Union army over 2,250,000 men, and there were killed in action 4,142 officers and 62,916 enlisted men (total 67,058); died of wounds received in action, 2,223 officers and 40,789 enlisted men (total 43,012); died of disease, 2,795 officers and 221,794 enlisted men (total 224,589).

In the present war in South Africa the British loss has been great in killed, wounded and prisoners.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

In a campaign much depends upon keeping open the lines of communication over which those most necessary supplies for every army, food and ammunition, must be transported. During the great Civil war some of the principal lines of communication were the following:

Louisville to Chattanooga via Nashville, 340 miles; Chattanooga to Atlanta, 140 miles; average distance traversed in maneuvring from Chattanooga to Atlanta, 175 miles; Atlanta to Savannah, 287 miles; Savannah to Goldsboro, 420 miles; Washington to Richmond, 116 miles.

In South Africa at the present time the important British lines of communication are: For Lord Methuen's column, from Cape Town to De Aar Junction, upward of 500 miles; for Gen. French's command, Port Elizabeth to Colesberg, 270 miles; for Gen. Gatacre's command, East London to Orange River, 225 miles, and for Gen. Buller's army, Durban to Frere, 130 miles. These columns are still within the British colonies and have not yet reached the territory of the South African republics.

From Pretoria, Durban is more than 400 miles distant; Port Elizabeth and East London more than 600, and Cape Town 900. The territory of the Transvaal is as large as Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania combined; and from Pretoria it extends about 160 miles to the westward, 220 miles to the eastward, 250 miles to the northward and 80 miles directly southward.

The campaigns during the Civil war in our own country between 1861 and 1865 illustrate the results of the operations of two contending forces, equal in enterprise, energy and fortitude, and both under skilful generalship. The use of long-range weapons gives the greater advantage to the force acting on the defensive, and this advantage can only be overcome by overpowering numbers on the side of the opposing force.

There are some new implements of warfare, the use of which affords great aid to an army, such as the wireless telegraph, the heliostat, the telephone and the telegraph, and whichever of two contending armies is without these implements is at a corresponding disadvantage. The science of ballooning has been brought to such perfection that balloons can be steadied against the currents of the winds, and therefore they are now recognized as exceedingly useful for the purpose of obtaining knowledge of the topography of the country and the position of the enemy. Lyddite, a very powerful explosive, far more destructive than the ordinary black powder, is used by the British as the bursting charge in their shells, and can be counted as one of the modern appliances of war. This explosive, however, is not as powerful or destructive as a powder recently invented by an American and adopted in our own service.

AS TO ROUGH RIDERS.

The question has been asked: Is the rough rider to be the ideal soldier of the twentieth century? Such an impression is unwarranted. The skilful horseman who can endure hardship and can make long and rapid journeys with the least possible fatigue to himself and horse, and at the same time can dismount and fight on foot, and is an expert marksman, and can take care of himself alone, or can be manoeuvred in brigades, divisions or corps composed of thousands of mounted men, has been and will be a most useful soldier. Bodies of such men were effectively used on both sides in the Civil war. They are exceedingly useful in reconnoitring a country, cutting lines of communication, capturing and destroying depots of supplies, and, when concentrated, can do effective work on either flank of the enemy.

THE VALUE OF GOOD RIFLEMEN.

Much has been said in regard to the value of good riflemen, as shown in the Transvaal fighting. Knowledge of their rifles and skill in using them are of inestimable value in the men of any army. The modern magazine rifle is sighted from 1,800 up to 2,400 yards, and of course the skilful use of it can only be obtained from practice, intelligent care and proper instruction. Both long-range individual sharpshooting and volley firing will be utilized in campaigns. The former renders the ground between the lines dangerous, if not untenable; and the latter, in close fighting, as in wooded or broken country, or during night attacks, when the control by the officers of firing is most essential, is very effective.

The use of the telegraph and steam power has made a vast difference in the art of war. Formerly it was next to impossible to successfully carry on a war against a foreign country at long distance by the transportation then in use, viz., sailing vessels, as illustrated in our Revolutionary war, and as late even as the Crimean war. Now the great steam transports, bearing all the personnel and munitions of war of modern armies, plough their way rapidly across the seas, and daily and hourly communication can be maintained with forces operating on the opposite side of the globe.

To meet the trials, exposure, hardship, disease and dangers of war requires in the present time the same fortitude as was necessary during the past ages, and to become a true soldier, fulfilling all the requirements and discharging his whole duty to his country, one must be inspired by the noblest patriotism as well as possessed of the stoutest heart.

MAJOR GEN. NELSON A. MILES, COMMANDING OFFICER UNITED STATES ARMY.

The war in South Africa is extremely interesting from the military point of view because of the test which it puts to the modern methods of transportation and the new weapons to which I have referred. Its result will throw new light upon many military problems. What that result will be depends upon so many possible developments, political as well as military, that prediction would be unsafe.

5,000 FEET UNDERGROUND.

One of the artificial wonders of the world is the Red Jacket shaft in the Calumet and Hecla copper mines, the largest in the world, on the shores of Lake Superior. The shaft is 4,900 feet deep, and is the deepest ever sunk.

It reaches to the conglomerate lode and is 14x22½ feet on the inside, is divided into six compartments and timbered throughout with Georgia pine, of which 10,000,000 feet were required.

The most powerful machinery known to miners operates this shaft, with a capacity of raising ten tons 3,600 feet per minute. In every respect, including the cost, this is the most stupendous undertaking ever carried out by a mining company.

A HUGE SUCCESS

Was Opening Night of Minstrel Show

IN TOWN HALL, NORTH CHELMSFORD

The Performance to be Repeated Tonight

The town hall, North Chelmsford, was the scene of a most successful minstrel performance attracting an audience more than testing the capacity of the hall, standing room being at a premium. The affair was under the popular temperance organization of the village, the St. John's Catholic Total Abstinence society.

Mr. Hubert Bearce of North Chelmsford directed the entertainment in his usual efficient manner and Mr. James Geokin, Lowell's rising pianist, acted as accompanist with his usual skill and grace adding new laurels to his already excellent reputation as an instrumentalist.

The hall was decorated most tastefully and was lighted by electric lights and it presented a grand and inspiring scene. Promptly at 8 o'clock, the curtain rose and the first number on the program was the grand overture and opening chorus of 50 voices and they sang "The Minstrel's Delight," in a pleasing way. Those who sang in the opening chorus were loudly applauded. All the songs and witticisms were decidedly up-to-date. All the young ladies who took part were attired in white and the men performers in black. Among the jokes which had a local application the following might be enumerated:

"Why is Mr. Clarence Sprague, the well known North Chelmsford milkman going out of the milk business?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Sprague's well pump is frozen and he cannot get any water."

"Why is Edward Swain, the well known checker player and clever debater, like a Lowell butcher?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Swain is always looking for stocks."

Mr. Swain is a popular stock market man and the joke on him was well received.

"Why is the North Chelmsford grocery store like England?"

Answer: "Because there is a Queen at the head of it." The manager being Mr. Myron A. Queen.

"What vegetable does the city of Ladysmith look like?"

Answer: "The green pea, because the Boers are always shelling it."

"Why has Patrick Welch the most ups and downs in his life of any man in North Chelmsford?"

Answer: "Because he runs the elevator in George C. Moore's mills."

Many other clever jokes were sprung on many of the village folks and they were all well received.

The following is the program as it was presented:

Overture, "The Minstrels Delight," ....Entire Company.
Entire Company.
"Good-Bye, Ma Baby," Jas. J. Barrett
"She Rests by the Suwanee River" ....Miss Clara McCoy
"I Think I'll have to Telegraph My Baby" .... David J. Dixon
Song, "Sometime" ....George F. Lynch
"I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby" .... Samuel L. Seymour
Song, "A Picture No Artist Can Paint," ....Miss Lizzie Constantineau
Song, "Somewhere" ....Miss Josie E. McCabe
"I've Seen No Messenger Boy," ....Arthur S. Allen
Song "Sing Me a Song of the South" .... Walter P. Finch
"I Wouldn't Leave My Home if I Were You" .... Walter P. Finch
Song "My Lady Love" Edward F. Shea
"My Hannah Lady" ......John J. Gray

PART II.

Duet, "Cheerfulness" (waltz rondo) .... Gumbert
Mrs. Hubert Bearce and Miss Daisy I. Ripley.
Clarinet solo, ...Mr. J. P. Quigley

Buck and wing dance, Mr. Fred E. Lester; song, selected, Mrs. C. F. Scribner; Mr. Hugh Farley, the "Irish comedian" introduced some side-splitting Irish comedy; song, selected, Miss Ethel Ranger; comic sketch entitled "Just Imported—The Two Counts,"; Edward F. Shea and George F. Lynch in the very latest jokes, songs and dances.

Interlocutor, John T. Crowley.

Bones—Arthur S. Allen, David J. Dixon, Walter P. Finch.

Tambos—Samuel L. Seymour, James J. Barrett, John J. Gray.

Chorus—The Misses Josie McCabe, Clara McCoy, Lizzie Constantineau, Tessie McCabe, Mary Crowley, Kittie Curry, Mary eHaley, Katie McEnany, Frances McEnany, Mary Larkin, Laura Lacnre, Fannie Miller, Mary E. McMahon, Minnie McMannimon, Lilla Seymour, Messrs. Ernest Boles, John Curry, Joseph Crowley, John Harrington, George Lynch, Fred Lester, Alphonse Magnant, Arthur Montferrand, Louis Miner, Dave McNally, John McNally, George Pope, James Quigley, Thomas McTague, Edward Shea.

Mr. John T. Crowley made a fine interlocutor and the bones were played to perfection by Allard S. Allen, David J. Dixon and Walter P. Finch while the tambos were handled in a clever way by Samuel Seymour, Jas. J. Barrett and John J. Gray.

Tonight the entertainment will be repeated and a grand cake walk will be given under the direction of Mr. Thomas Armstrong of Lowell.

A large number is expected to trolley from Lowell to the North Chelmsford town hall tonight.

BAY STATE FAIR

CLOSED LAST NIGHT AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Last night was the closing night of the Bay State fair held in the vestries of the First Congregational church. On account of the inclemency of the weather the attendance was rather small.

The big event will long be remembered and much credit is due to Mrs. F. E. Putnam, Mrs. Frank Hoyt, Mr. C. in transferring properties and appoint- O. Hall and others who lent valuable assistance in the way of conveyances ments to and from the fair. The flowers sold at the city of Worcester came from the greenhouses of Harvey B. Greene and the decorations of American flags, bunting and shields were kindly loaned to the ladies for the occasion by Mr. Sidney Drewett and Mrs. Hoyt, the president of the society takes this opportunity to thank each and every one who in any way contributed to the success of the Bay State fair.

INTER-CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The Home club of Lawrence and the Vesper-Country club of this city will play a series of inter-club tournament games at the latter's quarters this evening. The visitors will come 50 strong, they say, and will furnish their part of the evening's entertainment.

ROBBED OF GLORY

Gen. Wheeler Given no Credit by Gen. Otis

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—Prima Facie proof comes in a letter from an officer in the Philippines that General Otis was prominent party to a conspiracy to rob General Joseph Wheeler of any credit he might be entitled to from service in the Philippines.

The theory has been that General Wheeler has had important active service in the Philippines and this was based on the official reports of General Otis to the war department.

As a matter of fact however, General Wheeler was in a score of battles, behaved with signal gallantry and distinction, was many times on the firing line and was of the utmost value to the American cause.

Here is the letter in part:

"Letters are being received from the United States asking why General Otis has never mentioned Gen. Wheeler in his reports. One letter said: 'A statement has been made that no matter what General Wheeler did in the Philippines his name would not be mentioned. We believe this has been proved to be literally true.'

"It is known that General Wheeler has constantly studied the location of the enemy's troops and has repeatedly solicited authority to attack them, but every such action has been refused. Nothwithstanding this, General Wheeler has been in a number of engagements, but his service has been entirely ignored or the credit given to others.

"On September 9, General Wheeler had a fight with a force of insurgents' infantry and artillery at Santa Rita. General Otis cabled an account of the fight to Washington, but the published report does not mention General Wheeler.

On Sept. 16, General Wheeler had another fight at Santa Rita, but no mention whatever was ever made of it.

"On Sept. 28, he commanded the troops which charged over the enemy's breastworks at Porac and pushed through and beyond the town, but General Wheeler's name was never mentioned.

"On October 11, General Wheeler's troops had quite a warm fight at Angeles. The fight lasted for three hours. General Wheeler rode his horse along the firing line during all action. Here again no mention was made of General Wheeler, and yet the insurgent force engaged in these two fights in the Philippines.

"General Wheeler also engaged in nine other fights or skirmishes at Angeles.

"General Wheeler was in the Bomban fight, and after the insurgents fled, pursued them until ordered back by General MacArthur, of course his name was not mentioned.

"The foregoing statements are taken from or based upon official reports. My purpose is to show General Wheeler's friends that, to say the least, General Wheeler has been active and efficient in his service in the Philippines."

BOXING GOSSIP.

All details of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club next Monday evening have been settled. Messrs. William A. Pierce and E. F. Wood, managers of Byers and Mulvihill, met President Anderson and Treasurer Hanlon of the Kirtland club and agreed that Referee Captain Bill Daly was to be instructed that he must give a decision. The men are to go fifteen rounds, and if the bout is not ended before that time and the referee cannot conclude that one of the men is defeated, he empowered to order other rounds until a clear winner is found.

This arangement will meet with the approval of all lovers of boxing in this vicinity, and is a rule which should be adopted all over the country. It ensures more spirited bouts, for the custom now followed permits the principals to waste time until the last round, so as to get a draw. Under the new rule a boxer will understand that the only way he can enhance his reputation is to exert his best efforts from the very start in a contest.

The determination of the Kirtland club to have decisions in their bouts is an innovovation which will receive indorsement from all sides. Patrons will be protected from song and dance and gymnasium bouts. The new rule will make it positive that the superiority of the principal in each contest will be shown to all. It is a rule that will make the Kirtland club the most popular institution of its kind in the East. The old custom of permitting draws if both men were on their feet allowed too much opportunity for fakes.

This young sailor, Mulvihill, Byer's opponent is not a "ringer." He is a chap with a big record. Mulvihill is going to surprise the wise ones and it would not surprise some if he would become a prominent factor in the American middleweight championship in the near future. If he can beat George Byers he can get backing for $5000 against any middleweight limit. Tom Sharkey will find half the stake money. When Sharkey was in Boston he said that Mulvihill was a wonder five years ago and if he has improved any since then, he ought to be able to beat most any of the present run of middleweights. It may be rememberen that Mulvill was the first man to go twenty rounds against Sharkey.

The following from Bob Broker explains itself: "There are quite a lot of 100 pound boxers around Boston looking for work. Now, I claim to be the 100 pound champion of New England, having won the title from the late Jimmy Duffy in 14 rounds six years ago at the Camden club. I stand ready to defend the title against all comers.

Doubting ones of a few weeks ago are now ready to believe that there might have been something wrong in the McGovrn-Dixon fight. There was more in that contest by reason of the betting that McGovern would secure a knock-out in a certain number of rounds than has been told. Now a charge has been made that it was agreed that McGovern would fight Medely Miles if he would knock-out Eddie Santry. The agreement was violated, the Santry people were double-crossed, and some people won a pot of money.

Jim Kennedy, the well known manager and promoter of fistic events, in connection with Johnny Eckhardt, the well known referee, is to bring their great Ethopian combination of cake walkers to Music Hall, Boston, on the evening of Feb. 14.

By reason of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club, the meeting of the Isoteric club has been postponed from Feb. 12 to Feb. 14.

Speaking of his trip to Portland, Twin Sullivan says everyone connected with the Casco Athletic club treated him and his party with the greatest courtesy and liberality. Sullivan says he will make a match with Martin Riley or Joe Robinson again, for the "Casco's" next meeting.

Chuck Talbot writes from Charlestown that he wants a match with some 118-pound man, Young Curran or Kid Fanning preferred.

Sparring competitions which were scheduled for the B. A. A. Feb. 10, have been given up on account of lack of entries, there not being enough to guarantee a fairly good show. If enough men can be guaranteed the championship will be held in March.

There is a very bitter war going on over in New York between Tom O'Rourke and George F. Considine. latter is now considered the Napoleon of boxing matters, and had more than succeeded Tom O'Rourke as the right man with Senator Tim Sullivan and the other powers that be. O'Rourke still controls the utterances of one or two sporting writers and they are feebly attacking Considine.

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BIG FIRE

SECOND ALARM FOR BLAZE IN A DANGEROUS DISTRICT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 8.— For over an hour last evening traffic was suspended on Washington street near Eustis, in Roxbury. The cause was a fire for which two alarms were rung in from box 231. The first alarm was sounded at 6.13 and 10 minutes later Chief Grady ordered a second.

Shortly after 6 o'clock smoke was seen issuing from a window on the second story of the five-story brick building, 2109 to 2115 Washington street occupied by J. P. and W. H. Emond, carriage builders. An alarm was hastily sounded and upon the arrival of the firemen Chief Grady thought it advisable to sound a second alarm owing to the dangerous locality of the building. While the fire itself was not of a serious nature the structure of the Boston elevated road handicapped the fire fighters to a great extent. The loss was considerable.

A REBELLION

BROKEN OUT AT HONG KONG.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says that a serious rebellion has broken out in Swatan in the province of Kwang Tung. The viceroy has sent troops and a gunboat to suppress the insurrection.

MUSIC HALL

Last evening the "Vanity Fair Burlesquers" started on their three night and matinee performance at Music Hall. The opening feature is a burletta in one act entitled "Paris in 1900, or Gayest Paris," and it is one of the funniest burlesque drolleries ever conceived. Andrew Barr and Robert Mack as the Irishman and Hebrew are a funny pair. Their drolerics convulsed the big audience and to watch them was as difficult as keeping tabs on a three ring circus. The olio was clean, novel and entertaining. Morrissey and Rich, as "The Moonlight Serenaders," were given a warm reception, followed by Katie Rooney, the daughter of the late Pat Rooney, in character changes and imitations. In the last feature of her act, she changes costumes to male attire and when she appeared last evening she was the exact counterpart of her late father. She made a great hit and she will be a prime favorite during the engagement of "Vanity Fair" in Lowell. The breezy comedians, Howard and Mack had a budget of new witticisms, jokes, jokelets and quantlets. Andy Barr and Florence Evans are a clever pair. They are creators of original comedy, Mr. Barr, as the jay farmer, and Miss Evans, as the "Lilliputian," created a great sensation in their absurdity entitled "In Town on Business." The closing feature of the olio program introduced the wonderful Rio Brothers, three in number in an entirely original and sensational act with the flying aerial rings. They gave the greatest exhibition of muscular development ever witnessed and they are as graceful as any trio of acrobats ever seen. Their act alone is worth seeing, if you never saw any other part of the show. The performance came to a close with the burlesque production of "Rob Roy," with Anna Little in the title role. She is a handsome and shapely woman and she sang a duet with Katie Rooney which was a gem of the burlesque. The performance will be given again tonight tomorrow afternoon and evening.

WHIST TOURNAMENT

REAGAN AND McBRIDE LEAD IN BURKES CONTEST.

At the Burke temperance institute a whist tournament consisting of 18 teams is now in progress. The winners will each receive a valuable silk umbrella, to the two finishing second will be awarded two meerschaum pipes, while the third prizes will be two sets of cuff buttons. There are two other prizes, the individual and the booby. Two pins comprise the individual prizes while the booby is a doll's carriage. The standing of the teams follows:

	W.	L.	Pts.
Reagan and McBride	23	11	377
Clark and Dailey	22	10	371
Flynn and Winn	21	13	371
O Hare and Townsend	21	13	361
Kane and Mullaney	17	17	357
Lussier and Zipple	21	10	353
Reagan and Tierney	11	18	364
Mulvey and McElhenny	14	16	311
Wynne and Linehan	15	13	307
Gallagher and Smith	17	13	307
McLaughlin and Farrell	11	13	289
Meaney and Reagan	10	22	288
Duggan and McNamara	13	17	281
Harrington and Longire	8	10	259
Doolin and Langley	15	16	248
Rooney and Smith	9	16	215
Quinley and Donnelly	6	17	193
McCarthy and Gleason	5	9	183

Frank L. Fitzgerald will be a candidate for re-election to the board of selectmen.

Wednesday evening the republican town committee organized and elected officers as follows: Chairman, Frank H. Farmer; secretary, H. M. Bailey; treasurer, Marcellus Patten; auditor, John E. Foster.

REMINISCENCES OF LOWELL.

Owing to the stormy condition of the weather last evening a rather small audience listened to a delightful talk on the early reminiscences of Lowell at the Grace Universalist church. Mr. Bachelter is an able speaker on the subject, and the talk last evening was listened to with a great deal of interest by all present.

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Next is one lot Children's and Misses' Union Suits. Now everybody knows these union suits sell for 50c. Our price, only 25c.

Ladies' 25c. heavy Woolen and Fancy Mittens, our price 12 1-2c

Ladies' 25c Chokers, now 10c. NOT ALL STYLES.

Ladies' Fancy Crocheted Slippers, Shoe Store price, 97c. Our price 45c. Only a small lot.

Ladies' 25c. Fancy Belt Buckles. Our price, 12 1-2c.

15c and 25c Side Combs, now 10c. Only 15 dozen in this lot.

15c and 25c long rubber Dressing Combs, 9c samples.

One lot Fine Combs. Samples. 10c and 15c. kind. All at 5c.

Small lot of Infants' and Little Children's nice Sample Mittens, worth 25c. For this sale, 10c and 12c., White, 10c. Colors, 12c.

Mourning Pins. Regular price 5c. sheet. Sale price 2 for 5c.

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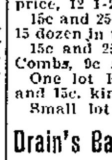

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FOR SALE— One Caligraph, $16.00; in first class condition; one safe in good condition, 3x4, $15.00; one roll top desk, oak, nearly new, $15.00. Inquire at Donovan and Mamaur, Room 1, 20 Central street, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—Most complete line of bath cabinets in the world. One agent sold 800 in four months. Irwin Co., 123 Chambers street, New York.

FOR SALE—Ten R. I. P. A. N. S. for five cents at druggists. One gives relief.

FOR SALE—On Cross street, good 7-room cottage house in good repair, large barn, lots of carriage room, concrete driveway, 1,000 feet of land, price only $2500. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

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FOR SALE—A good place for the money, three miles from the city, 12 acres of land, 9 room-house, large barn and hennery and sheds, this is a bargain, $1400. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

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A CHANCE for anyone desiring to start a paying business in the new and second hand furniture line will be found at No. 10 Charles street as the stock on hand can be bought on reasonable terms with the advantage of either lease or purchasing the premises.

A TEN DOLLAR INVESTMENT RETURNS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PROFIT—This is better than a dozen Klondikes—at least this is the honest opinion of 617 investors who placed from $10 to $20 in Montana and Utah mining shares with the older reliable mining brokerage firm of W. H. Nichols, No. 1 West Broadway, Buttee, Mon. Average profit of the 617 investors in ten months was $157.50, and many of the lucky ones made $500 off $10. Mr. Nichols is now floating two more new mining companies; he is a very shrewd and careful mining operator—he is a good one to follow.

RUBBER STAMPS — At wholesale prices, 1 inch one-line stamps, 10c; 1 1/2 inch, 15c; 35c. ink pads, 25c; 25c. ink pads, 15c; 50c. linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 11c. per line. J. M. Fellows, 153 Merrimack street.

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Few professions have more frauds among its members than fortune tellers. Don't be deceived by every alluring, bombastic display. Patronize only those who guarantee satisfaction and can give proofs of their ability. Such a one is Vonnie, who stands at the front rank of palmists for she is the veritable queen of palmists. She can tell more than all others. Gives advice on love, marriage, and business. Describes your future husband or wife. Gives names and lucky days. Her hundreds of satisfied visitors in this city will testify to her knowledge of her profession. Fortune telling by cards is generally an illusion. Palmistry is a science and to one who understands it, the lines of your hand show unerringly your character, destiny, ability and the events of your full life. Take the elevator in Bon Marche block and at room 41 find the one who can read your hand correctly and that one is Vonnie, the palmistry queen. Hours from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. daily. Sundays from 2 to 6 p. m. Prices to suit all. Don't forget the number.

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to clear the mist and fathom the mysterious surrounding all cases of business and matrimony with startling accuracy. friends; also advice on all business affairs. She gives names and dates of absent fairs, 352 Central street, near Opera House.

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A new lease from January 1st, 1900, for a long term of years, of the BROADWAY CENTRAL HOTEL has just been made to Tilly Haynes, the present very successful manager of the property. Mr. Haynes has now conducted the hotel for eight years, during which time he has completely rebuilt, refurnished, reorganized, and enlarged the original plant, at an expense of over a quarter of a million dollars, until now it is not only one of the largest, but one of the most complete and liberally conducted hotels in NEW YORK.

GRAND LECTURE

A lecture will be delivered for the benefit of the new Greek church at Urban hall.

Admission, 25 cents.

All the Greeks of Lowell are expected to be present.

Will have a stereopticon.

Per JOHN DEMAAS, the well known Greek.

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WANTED—Kitchen, table, chamber and general housework girls at once at Mrs. Gauthier, 169 Merrimack street.

WANTED—Girls to run braiding machines at cord works, Allen building, Rock street.

WANTED—Girls for transfering, experienced. Greenwood and Payton Hosiery Co., Ayer City.

WANTED at once 6 strong abled bodied laborers. Apply Monday morning to Lowell Fertilizing Co., So. Lowell.

WANTED—At once. Lady without incumbrance to travel in Mass. for well known house. Good salary and expenses to active party. Experience not necessary, but reference required. "Active," care of Sun.

WEAVERS, female, add $5.00 per week to your pay. We will help you. No agency business. Send 10c. for particular outfit. M. M. Co., Box 553, Worcester, Mass.

WANTED—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, within eight minutes of post office. Address J. A., care Sun.

WANTED—Experienced hustling general agent wanted in this territory on an article which sells at sight. $200 capital and references required. To experienced man, a good proposition. Address Eureka Coal Saver Co., 75 Westminster st., Providence, R. I.

WANTED—Policy holders in the Covenant Mutual Life association, send your addresses to P. O. Box 503, Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Old and young men to buy new hats and we clean free of charge for one year at Doloruo's, 261 Middlesex street.

WANTED—Cooks, kitchen girls, table girls, general housework girls. Free ride in our carriage. Dons, 158 Merrimack street, opposite Bon Marche.

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TO LET—In Lowell a store centrally located for drug, grocery or other business. Address "N. Y." Care Crawford House, Boston, Mass.

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TO LET—Store at 425 Broadway as a grocery; apply to Frank Clark, 91 Adams street.

TO LET—One two-room and one five-room tenement. Inquire at 10 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Cottage houses at Adams avenue, Pawtucketville. Rent $8. Keys at occupied cottage. William A. Read, 224 Liberty street.

TO LET—Some first-class tenements in all parts of the city. Apply to A. G. Boharrell, Room 1, Bon Marche Block.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—A fox terrier. Strayed away from postoffice Saturday forenoon. Finder return to 3 Glidden avenue and receive reward.

LOST—Ladies' Seal glove between Tremont street and A. G. Pollard's Dry Goods store. Finder will please leave same at this office.

LOST—A brown spaniel dog with white paws, white neck and breast and white tip on tail, wearing collar not marked. Reward at 69 Swift street.

LOST—An envelope containing a sum of money on Saturday, either in the Bon Marche or between there and the Merrimack corporation. Reward at 10 Merrimack corporation.

LOST— Wednesday, a. m., somewhere between city hall and Pollard's, a new Angola ladies' glove. Finder will please leave it at box office, Savoy theatre and receive tickets which owner of glove will pay for.

SPOT Cash and highest prices for secondhand furniture at 461 Merrimack street. Tel. 656-4.

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MUSEUM.....The Girl from Maxim's
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CASTLE SQUARE....Belle of Mashemere
HOLLIS.....A Virginia Courtship
PARK.....The Parish Priest
COLUMBIA.....Princess Chic

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE SUN ON SALE IN BOSTON.

The five o'clock edition of The Sun is on sale at the news stand in the Union Station, Boston.

BREAD RAISERS WITH TEA.

We have received a new lot of bread raisers. One with a pound of tea and coffee while they last. Dickson Bros., The Big Tea Dealers, 65 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS.

Sold on the Cunard, Dominion, White Star, American, Anchor, Allan and Leyland lines, to and from Boston, New York, Queenstown, Liverpool and all parts of Europe. Drafts issued for £1 and upward on all parts of Great Britain and Ireland. English sovereigns and Canada bills bought at Murphy's, 15 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS

Try Horne's Coal.

Have you had Pelham cigars?

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's. Telephone, 891-4.

NEXT SATURDAY IS QUARTER DAY AT WASHINGTON SAVINGS' BANK, 4 PER CENT. 273 CENTRAL STREET.

LONG TALK.

The last in the series of song-talks given by Miss Neuhaus of Boston was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George F. Richardson, with an attendance of about 30. The talk was on the modern composers of the different countries with selections from their compositions.

FAREWELL PARTY.

Miss Eva Shepard gave a farewell party at her residence Wednesday evening in honor of her guest, Mr. Frank McVicker, who is about to sail for Europe. A large gathering of their friends were present and were entertained at whist. A dainty lunch was served.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

A feature, for the next few weeks, in the local Young Men's Christian association gymnasium will be the basket ball league formed by the Scarlets, Crescents and Silver Stars. Some fast and interesting contests are looked forward to, as the teams are evenly matched in strength and experience. The first of these games will be played on next Saturday evening Feb. 10th between the Scarlets and Crescents. On the same evening at 7.15 o'clock the regular association team will play the Winchester Young Men's Christian association team. This new team showed up well in practice last evening and will no doubt render a good account of themselves in the contest with Winchester.

The association league games are as follows:

Feb. 10—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
Feb. 17—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
Feb. 24—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.
March 3—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
March 10—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
March 17—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.

MAYOR CROWLEY

DECLINES TO PRESIDE AT THE PRO-MEETING.

Mayor Crowley has notified the committee in charge of the Maude Gonne pro-Boer meeting that he will not preside at the meeting. Consequently Joseph Smith will preside.

PAINTERS—DECORATORS

ELECTED OFFICERS AT WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—At today's session of the convention of the National Association of Master Painters and Decorators, amendments to the constitution were adopted. Officers were elected as follows: President, Francis F. Black, Philadelphia; secretary and treasurer, Joel Kennedy; members of the executive board, J. H. Hand, Brookline, Mass.; Alexander Grant, Providence, R. I., and others. Buffalo was chosen at the next meeting place of the convention, the date to be fixed later by the executive board.

TWO CHAMPIONS

WON IN THE RACQUET TOURNEY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Two champions won their matches in the semi-final round of the amateur national championship racquet tournament in the B. A. court yesterday. Quincy A. Shaw, Jr., the American premier, defeated Payne Whitney 15-4, 6-15, 17-15 and E. H. Miles, the champion court tennis and racquet player of England won from Potter 15-7, 15-1, 15-6.

Thus when Miles and Shaw meet on Saturday in the nets, the international championship laurels will be at stake and a hot match is promised, as both men are developing their best form.

SAVOY THEATRE

Lovers of vaudeville, that is vaudeville coupled with the artistic skill of its exponents will do well to visit Lowell's "parlor theatre"—the Savoy—before the week's end. The program has been selected with great care by the managers, Messrs. Mack and Dempsey, who never allow a turn to go upon the Savoy stage unless one of them or both have seen the house.

The storm of last night did not detract from the attendance and among those present were an unusually large number of store clerks, principally young ladies, who seem to take kindly to refined vaudeville as given at the Savoy for many of them attend the performances weekly.

Miss Marguerite Starr, a very prepossessing prima donna soprano sang herself into the good graces of her auditors and she was at her best in the selection of the "Holy City," in which she gave an impersonation in very effective contralto followed in sweet soprano voice of rare purity and tone. The range and penetrativeness of her voice coupled with the softness and rhythm are wonderful and every performance adds to the numbers of her admirers. The following are among the other clever artists who appear: H. S. Allcef and Nellie B. Chandler, O'Brady's Election; Herbert and Willing, "Comdom Crazee"; Craig and McDonald, original musical sketch, "The German Blunders;" Farnum & Seymour, "Shadow and the Colonel;" C. E. Killingbeck & T. J. Madden, illustrator and bell tenor, late of West's Big Minstrels; Fritz, Leslie & Eddie, Novelty Pantomime Act, "The Enchanted House."

Dr. Cotton's DENTIST 31 MERK ST.

AGAIN WORKING

Men Who Were Discharged From Tannery

RESULT OF CONFERENCE YESTERDAY

Another Conference to Decide Wage Schedule

A conference was held yesterday afternoon at the American house between Mr. E. L. White and a special committee representing the employes of the tannery. As a result of the conference, which lasted two hours, about 60 men who were temporarily discharged on Monday morning, returned to work today.

Hon. C. D. Palmer and Mr. Barry of the state board of arbitration, were present but did not participate in the meeting, as their presence was not exactly necessary in view of the fact that both sides were disposed to be agreeable. The wages paid in Lowell were compared with those paid in Danvers and in other cities in Massachusetts, and in this connection the committee set forth the desires of the leathers workers. Nothing definite in way of agreement on a new schedule was reached and it was finally decided to have another conference next Tuesday afternoon.

At this conference the wage question will certainly be settled. Both sides agree that where there is a dispute over wages, it is to be left with the state board of arbitration, or to another board consisting of three members, one of them to be selected by the committee, another to be selected by the White Brothers and the third to be chosen by the two men selected. Both sides agree to submit to any decision that shall be made by the board.

LOWELL MAN

NOW LECTURING THROUGH CANADA AND NOVA SCOTIA.

The lectures by Prof. John A. Nicholls in Grange Hall, on Monday and Tuesday evenings were largely attended. On Monday evening the hall was crowded to the door by an enthusiastic and patriotic audience, and the lecture on the War in South Africa, which was graphically illustrated, was frequently and heartily applauded. On Tuesday evening the subject was the Passion Play of Oberammergau, a subject of deep religious interest. The lecture was preceded by a trip to Boston showing the splendid service of the Plant Line and a visit to places of historic interest in that city. The lectures of Prof. Nicholls are not only entertaining but educational and instructive.—Nova Scotia Free Lance and Westville News.

TO TEST THORITE

A DUMMY BATTLESHIP WILL BE BLOWN UP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The navy ordnance department has constructed at Indian Head, on the Potomac River, a structure resembling the hull of a ship, which it is proposed to attack with thorite with a view to testing the efficiency of that high explosive in naval warfare.

The point to be tested is whether a thorite shell will penetrate the ordinary armor plating of a battle ship and explode in the interior. The experiments on this line will probably be made very shortly.

In the tests which have been planned at Indian Head, the ordnance officers will use ten-inch shells loaded with thorite against eight-inch armor.

FARMERS INSTITUTE

AT TYNGSBORO ON WEDNESDAY NEXT.

The Middlesex North Agricultural society will hold a farmer's institute at Tyngsboro Wednesday forenoon next beginning at 10.30 o'clock. Isaac Damon of Wayland, a member of the state board of agriculture will speak in the morning upon "Milch Cows and Dairy Farming." In the afternoon the question box will furnish topics for discussion. Dinner at noon. Both session will be opened by musical selections by local talent. The electric cars leave Lowell every 10 minutes in the forenoon; every half hour in the afternoon.

MIDWINTER FETE

ANOTHER LARGE ATTENDANCE AT THE SACRED HEART HALL.

The second night of the midwinter fete in the Sacred Heart parochial school hall in aid of the church building fund, attracted another large gathering last evening. The entertainment was given by the members of the Young Men's Catholic Lyceum, a new organization recently formed in the Sacred Heart parish, who presented the laughable comedy "Back from Klondike." Those who assumed characters in the cast were: Jos W. Murphy, Edward Slattery, Jas. McLaughlin, James Fagan, John Murray, John Devine, John Clark, James Breen, Peter A. Clune and George Daley. The audience was kept convulsed throughout the presentation of the comedy, principally by the antics and droll sayings of Jas. McLaughlin, as "Sub McKenna." Edward Slattery as "Casey," John Murray, the Jew and Peter A. Clune as the Spaniard. Vocal selections were given by George Daly baritone, who was encored for his able rendition of "My Little Georgia Rose." James Breen, in "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom;" song, Peter A. Clune, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep;" "My Hannah Lady" John Murray; Joseph W. Murphy, "I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby," coon melody, Mr. Chas. A. Casey. The affair was under the directorship of Mr. Joseph W. Murphy and reflected great credit on the skill and tact of the young man as well as his collaborators of the Lyceum who made their initial appearance in the dramatic line such a grand success.

The festival will be continued tonight and tomorrow night.

MOTHER GOOSE PARTY.

At a meeting in the Kirk Street vestry last evening arrangements were made for the coming fair which will be in the nature of a Mother Goose party with corresponding costumes, table decorations, etc. The officials and attendants were selected.

A DELIGHTFUL TEA.

Mrs. Addison Putnam Jr., gave a tea at her residence 19 Nesmith street in honor of her sisters, Mrs. Wiley and Mrs. Hurlbut of Chicago, and Mrs. La Croix of Lynn. Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large attendance. The following ladies assisted: Mesdames Pulham, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. George F. Richardson, Mrs. H. P. Jefferson, Mrs. Harry A. Brown, Mrs. Harry Burrows, Mrs. Frank P. Putnam, Mrs. Walter J. Denny, Mrs. E. N. Burke, Mrs. A. D. Merrill.

Ayer's Pills

Look at your tongue! If it's coated, your stomach is bad, your liver out of order. Ayer's Pills will clean your tongue, cure your dyspepsia, make your liver right. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c. All druggists.

STEAMER ASHORE

The Gate City of the Oceanic Company

ON THE OUTER BAR AT NEW YORK

Has 3000 Bales of Cotton Aboard

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The steamship Gate City of the Ocean Steamship company went on the outer bar, three miles east of the Moriches Life saving station Long Island, about 9 o'clock last night. There was a dense fog at the time and it is said the steamer was driven hard into the sand which forms the outer shoal. At present she is lying easy in a comparatively smooth sea.

The Gate City had on board forty-nine persons, three of whom were women. When she went aground her whistle signalled to the life saving station and they at once launched a surf boat. They found the vessel in no great danger but the captain of the life savers volunteered to take off the passengers. The women decided to go ashore and they were taken to the beach and given possession of the station house. The surf boat immediately put out again to the stranded steamer with the intention of bringing any of the male passengers ashore that desired to be taken off.

The Gate City is lying in the sand in a sea that is steadily rising and she will be in a dangerous position in case of a storm. The surf boats will probably lie alongside the steamer during the remainder of the night unless she is floated.

The Gate City has 3000 bales of cotton on board.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The vessel ashore, it is now learned, is the Ocean steamship company's steamer Gate City, command of Captain Lewis. She sailed from Savannah Feb. 6, for Boston. A surf boat which went out to the steamer from the Moriches life saving station returned soon after midnight with three women on board.

LABOR UNIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY THOMAS F. CONNOLLY RESIGNS HIS POSITION.

The Weavers' union held a regular meeting last night at which a communication was received from Mr. Thomas F. Connolly who has been ill for some time resigning the office of financial secretary which he has ably and acceptably filled since the union was organized. It was known that Mr. Connolly was an overworked man before he was taken ill and it was feared that he would be obliged to relieve himself of some of his responsibility. His resignation, however, came as unpleasant news to the members. Under the circumstances there was nothing to do but accept it and the temporary secretary was instructed to send a message of thanks to Mr. Connolly.

Miss McMullin was elected temporary financial secretary for one week. At the next meeting a permanent successor to Mr. Connolly will be chosen and it is hoped that all the members will be present.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Brogan, who gave the union a detailed account of the recent Lonsdale disturbance.

The committee appointed to interview Agent Kerr will see him early next week on the questions which have been under dispute for some time.

PAINTERS' UNION.

The newly formed Painters' union met last night and elected the following permanent officers: President, William Bulmer; vice president, John Thompson; recording secretary, M. A. Gilligan; financial secretary, John J. Dolan; treasurer, George Jamieson. The charter has been received and the charter list consists of 50 names.

DRACUT

GEORGE SEDDON RUN OVER BY MILK WAGON.

George Seddon ten years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Seddon of Cottage Street, Collinsville, was run over by a milk wagon belonging to Mr. McDonald of Dracut Village on Wednesday. Young Seddon was crossing the street and in attempting to get out of the way of Kelman's grocery team he stepped into the path of Mr. McDonald's milk wagon and was knocked down, two of the wheels passing over his body. He was painfully injured about the back. Dr Welch says that no serious results will follow.

William Tyrrell of Upland street is a candidate for auditor on the democratic ticket.

William Bolten, who sailed for England about two months ago, has written a letter to his brother, Peter Bolten of Sladen street. William is in London, and states that he is to return to this country soon.

The new switch board in the engine room of the Collins mills was completed this week.

JUROR BROWN BETTER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Late last night it was stated at the Astor House that the condition of Molineux's juror, Manheim Brown, had improved and that he would probably be able to take his place in court today.

EXPLORER STANLEY ILL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the African explorer and Unionist liberal member of parliament for North Lambeth, was taken suddenly ill with gastritis in the house of commons Wednesday night and is in a somewhat serious condition.

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NINE WERE KILLED

In a Rear End Collision in Michigan

Felch Mountain Train and Fast Freight Collide—The Cars Telescoped and Burned

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ESCANABA, Mich., Feb. 9.—Chicago & Northwestern passenger train No. 21, known as the Felch mountain accommodation, which runs between this city and Metropolitan, was wrecked in a rear-end collision with a freight train at Ford river switch at 6.30 last night. Nine persons were killed, three are reported missing, five seriously and four slightly injured. The dead are:

W. I. Hill, baggageman of the accommodation train.

William Dillon, brakeman on accommodation train.

Miss Seymour, section P, Michigan.

Charles Martin, Escanaba, civil engineer.

George R. Black, Escanaba, civil engineer.

Sam Green, Negaunee.

Two unknown men.

Unknown woman, body charred beyond recognition.

Fast train No. 259, north bound, from Green Bay to Ishpeming was making about 50 miles an hour when it passed Narenta for Ford river switch seven miles west of this city.

The engine was forging ahead through a blinding snow storm, which made it impossible to see signal lights except a short distance ahead. When within 100 yards of the switch at Ford river, Engineer James Green saw the rear lights of a train directly ahead and with a warning cry to his fireman, Cote Nee, jumped. The next instant the heavy freight struck the passenger coach of the accommodation and telescoped it and the baggage car ahead. Flames soon enveloped the cars and made the work of rescue doubly hard.

EVANGELIST GEIL

Gave an Interesting Sermon Last Night

LIVELY TALK ON SIN AND SINNERS

Large Gathering at First Baptist Church

Evangelist Geil evidently intends that there shall be no "prayer meeting snores" under his preaching. Like John, the subject of his opening sketch last night, he is a furious driver. At the second meeting, held in the First Baptist church, there was a pretty good attendance in spite of the rain, indicating that had the weather been inviting, the church would have been packed to suffocation. Rev. L. W. Staples opened the meeting.

Mr. Geil's sermon was peculiar. It can't be reported, because action, facial expression and gesture had much to do with its effectiveness. The text was from the 9th chapter of Kings, 20th verse, "He Driveth Furiously."

The subject announced for the evening, "A Painted Face" was dropped after the first illustration, drawn from the story of the death of Jezebel, under the wheels of Jehu's chariot. The story was told in a dramatic manner, with remarkable descriptive power, in the first part. Then coming to the point where Jezebel looked out of the window, he said: "And when Jehu saw that woman with a painted face, he said 'Whoa!' Kings could not check him in his mad career, but when he saw a woman with a painted face, he promptly said 'Whoa!' When you are in the very moment of achievement, expect to see a painted face. Many a warrior has been stopped within one inch of victory. It was a painted face. Look out."

The words of the text served as the keynote to the remainder of the address. The reason Jehu was a furious driver, was that he had the command of God ringing in his soul. The Lord Jesus Christ was the most furious driver this world ever saw."

The speaker then told the story of Christ driving the devils out of a man into a drove of swine. The owners of the swine, the evangelist said, wanted Jesus to leave the country because his religion was too expensive. "They wanted no man saved at the rate of 4000 hams to the man. There is an amazing amount of ham religion on this planet today and you have got some of it in Lowell. Pure, unadulterable ham religion. Stack up your hams, 1000 of them, and place a man there and you will take down the hams and let the man go down to be eternally lost. You are willing to have people saved in this city but you want it done cheaply. You do not purpose to have it interfere with your business or social interests and engagements. You are willing that men should be saved if they can be saved at the rate of a dollar apiece; but how many of you are willing to pay 4000 hams for a revival of religion?

"I see that some of you do not like that. I am glad of it. One thing has troubled me all day. I fired hot shot here last night and everybody seemed to like it. You went away and said, 'Wasn't that nice? He made a good hit.' What was hit. No one that ought to have been because if that had been so, you would have been down on the preacher, and gone off and talked about him and that would have advertised the meetings.

"If I cannot help men to be saved in my own town, I have got no business to be in Lowell; and if you cannot lead people to Christ in Lowell, if you cannot get anybody converted under the shadow of your own home, the heathen are bad enough as they are, without your going to them.

"A rut is a grave with both ends knocked out. There are lots of people who must go a slow pace as long as they stay in the ruts that their grandfathers' chariots wore. We are preaching the same gospel as then but nowhere does God command a man to drive in the same rut as his grandfather. If I can reach a man by way of his head, heart or liver, I am after the man, and I am willing to transfer the starch to the laundry."

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Washington Commandery held its regular meeting last night and made arrangements for some good times in the future as laid out by the good of the order committee. Lady Frances Ellen Morrison presided for the first time as noble commander.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. I. O. O. F., had its regular meeting in old Odd Fellows' hall, last evening and received two applications. During the meeting the first degree was worked on three members. The ordinary routine business was transacted.

Court General Shields, F. of A., had its regular meeting in Foresters' hall last evening. The membership list took quite a boom, 35 applications being received. The court is making arrangements for a smoke talk which will be held on the evening of Feb. 22.

Bay State Colony, Pilgrim Fathers, transacted routine business at their meeting in Bay State Hall last evening and there was a large number present despite the rain. On account of the state of the hall, the clambake which was to have been held last evening was postponed to Thursday evening, Feb. 22. It was also decided to have a dance in addition.

At the meeting of Passuconaway Tribe, Red Men last night arrangements were completed for attending the special service in the Central M. E. church next Sunday night. The members will meet in their hall at 6 o'clock and march in a body in regalia to the church. Rev. Mr. Meredith will preach a special sermon.

The entertainment committee of Loyal Victoria lodge, I. O. O. L., M. U., has arranged for a supper and entertainment in old Odd Fellows' hall tomorrow evening.

The complimentary dance which was to have been held in Mathews hall last night was postponed for one week on account of the small attendance resulting from the bad weather.

COMING MINSTREL SHOW.

One of the notable social events of February in Westford will be a minstrel show to be held in the town hall the 15th under the auspices of the Graniteville boys. Joe Wall has the affair in charge and in such hands it could be nothing but a great success.

MORE LUCRATIVE POSITION.

Mr. Thomas Pollitt for the past seven years second hand of the Booth No. 4 weave room has accepted a more lucrative position with the Naumkeag Cotton Steam company of Salem.

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Remnants all linen Crash Toweling at 5c yard.
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THE TROOPS

Vacillating Between the Two Parties and Two Executives--Situation at Frankfort

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 9.—The Commercial has received a telegram from ex-Gov. Bradley who appeared before Federal Judge Taft on behalf of the minor republican state officers disclaiming bad faith on the part of the minor state officials in regard to the arrangement under consideration by Gov. Taylor in regard to the governor and lieutenant governor. The telegram which is dated at Cincinnati follows:

"Minor candidates all say they were not parties to any agreement either in person or by attorneys and that any charge of bad faith is untrue and without the slightest foundation. They were not even consulted about the agreement now proceeding between the claimants for governor and lieutenant governor.

W. O. BRADLEY.

SITUATION LAST NIGHT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 9.—Unless some action regarding the Louisville agreement is taken by Gov. Taylor today, or some word sent to them concerning his intentions, the democrats will organize their state government at Louisville. A conference was held here last evening at which Gov. Beckham, Senator Blackburn, S. J. Shackelford and John K. Hendrick were present. The delay of Gov. Taylor in declaring himself regarding the Louisville agreement was discussed at length and it was agreed by all present that the democrats had waited long enough. One day more will be allowed for some intimation from Gov. Taylor.

Gov. Taylor announced last night that he had not taken action regarding the agreement and that there was no possible chance of his doing so before tomorrow. He would not say whether he would take any action today or not. It is desired that the agreement will not be accepted by Gov. Taylor as it stands. He desires more specific promises regarding the repeal of the Goebel law and a decision in the gubernatorial contest by a separate vote of the two houses. By this latter, the democrats say they will not agree. They claim that no mention was made of a repeal of the law in the Louisville conference.

Not a democratic member of the legislature was here yesterday to attend the funeral, and last night Governor Beckham, Gen. Castleman and other democratic leaders returned to Louisville.

The report that orders had been issued to arrest members of the legislature who might come to town yesterday was denied by Gov. Taylor.

The application for a permanent injunction restraining Gov. Taylor from interfering with the sessions of the legislature in Frankfort and from convening at London was not heard yesterday at Georgetown. The matter went over until today.

The troops are vacillating in their allegiance between two parties and two executives.

THE LEGISLATORS FEAR ARREST

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Ky., Feb. 9.—Representatives and senators whenever they gather at the different hotels and on the streets discuss the situation earnestly. That warrants for the arrest of absent members was the subject before the recent executive sessions seems now certain.

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the House said: "If I am sent after members, I certainly will bring them in. There will be no dallying about it."

Representative Stack said: "A fight is certainly before us and the sooner it comes, the better."

Representative Haswell said: "This is a body which respects the feelings of grief that have been engendered through the death of Mr. Goebel. There is no desire to compel absent members to attend sessions before the funeral was over."

Representative Heissman said: "We have something up our sleeves now, but I can't tell what it is."

Senator White said: "We were in executive session for the transaction of business and what took place I refuse to say. I am under oath not to talk."

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the house and Mr. Howard of the senate have held several conferences. Mr. Cecil said he had no warrants in his pockets, but further than that he evaded any answer.

The following telegram has been sent to Gov. Taylor:

"We, the undersigned representatives of the people in the 13th district of Kentucky desire to state that we are unalterably opposed to the signing of any agreement looking to the surrender of the offices to which the entire republican ticket was honestly and fairly elected.

(Signed)
SENATOR DYE,
REP. WALTON,
REP. BENNINGFIELD.

Poverty and Character Party at Prescott hall tonight.

UNION MEN

DISCHARGED BY THE BUILDING CONTRACTORS OF CHICAGO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—More union men have been let out by the building contractors because they refused to work under the new rules. The new rules require them to work on Saturday afternoon which they heretofore had as a holiday. All who refuse to work will be paid off and allowed to go. This may tie up all buildings under construction in the city. It was said by the contractors that 75 per cent. of the men who were working a week ago, or about 4000 are now idle through their refusal to be governed by the new rules.

Mohair Poverty and Character Party at Prescott hall tonight.

EX-GOV. WOLCOTT

COULD NOT SERVE ON PHILIPPINE COMMISSION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Former Governor Roger Wolcott was asked today about a Washington dispatch printed here this morning saying that Pres. McKinley had offered the ex-governor a position on the Philippine commission. Ex-Governor Wolcott said that it was true that he had had some correspondence regarding the matter referred to in the dispatch but that as he had already formed plans for a trip to Europe with his family during the coming summer, it would be impossible for him to consider such an appointment, even if it were offered him.

DEFECTIVE FLUE

CAUSED A FIRE IN THE CENTRAL HOUSE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ROCKLAND, Mass., Feb. 9.—The Central House of which Neal McLean is proprietor, was partly burned this morning, causing a loss of about $3,000. The fire started from a defective flue and spread through the interior of the place. Mr. McLean estimates his loss at $2,000 on the furniture and the building, of which Donald McKay of Boston is the owner, was damaged to the extent of $6,000.

Grand Poverty and Character Party at Prescott hall tonight.

POLICE NOTES.

The case of John Norris of Tyngsborough, charged with violation of the oleomargarine law, was placed on file.

WANTS INFORMATION.

Chief of Police Davis has received a communication from a John Creighton, of 40 Hill street, Chicago, Ill., asking for information regarding his sister, Mrs. John Gallagher, who came to Lowell about fifteen years ago. He states in his letter that her maiden name was Ann Creighton, and she came from 16 Bennett street, Manchester England. After leaving England, she resided in New York and moved from there to Lowell. Her husband was a tailor by trade and is now thought to be dead. Mr. Creighton would like to receive information regarding her whereabouts.

AN INSANE WOMAN.

Last evening a woman named Kate Maloney, 46 years of age, and residing on the Tremont corporation, came to the police station and complained that some people were trying to poison her. It could be seen from her talk that she was not sane and it was decided to lock her up. She had two bank books with her, showing quite a sum of money she had saved up from her earnings. It is said that she had worked in the mill most of her life and was a very industrious woman. She is now waiting to be examined by the doctors.

BOY KILLED

AN ELEVATOR WEIGHT FELL ON HIS HEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—H. W. Nye, an elevator boy, was instantly killed here today by a weight from one of the elevator gates which fell on his head, crushing his skull. Nye lived with his parents in Cambridgeport.

BOER ATTACK ON THE BRITISH

By Associated Press to The Sun.

KOODOESBERG DRIFT, Feb. 8.—The Boers yesterday made a determined attempt to drive the British from a hill commanding the drift. Mounting two seven-pounders at the northern extremity, they shelled the position intermittently the whole day. Seaforth Highlanders gained a position on the rocky summit and kept up a sustained rifle fire, but suffered somewhat from the Boer's shelling. A battery was sent and succeeded in silencing the Boer fire. Meanwhile two companies of the Argyll Highlanders advancing along the plain in a westerly direction, found the Boers entrenched at a small drift. A sharp engagement followed lasting the whole day. General MacDonald now only required sufficient troops in order to completely surround the Boers. General Babington was despatched from Modder river with a large force of cavalry and two horse batteries but failed to reach here, although he started early enough in the day to enable him to get here early this afternoon.

BULLER

Driven Across Tugela for Third Time

BOER HEAD LAAGER, Thursday, Feb. 8—The British who were in possession of the Kopje at Molensdrift abandoned it after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela river to their former position.

A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—4 a. m. All the messages from the observers with Gen. Buller throw in a phrase or two about the "strength of the Boer positions," and the "difficulties of Gen. Buller's war," but they do not carry events beyond Tuesday evening. Their last slender narratives leave the British advance on Vaal Krantz in the centre of a semi-circle where the troops are exposed to the Boer artillery on both sides and in the centre.

The fighting continued until 9 Tuesday evening and, almost without doubt continued Wednesday, as the Boers would certainly not leave this wedge into their lines unmolested. It is also inferred that General Buller must either continue his advance or retire.

The heaviest fighting appears to have been on Tuesday. General Buller's 233 casualties are mentioned as having occurred before Tuesday noon. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. The casualties already reported bring the total British losses to 10,241 killed, wounded and captured.

The disposition here is rather to minimize the importance of the fighting in Natal and to suggest that this is only an incident, placing hope upon expected decisive engagements in northern Cape Colony and upon the invasion of the Free State by Lord Roberts. At all events this is the official view.

The public does not like these waits and there is sharp anxiety for further news.

In Cape Colony General MacDonald has had a skirmish with a thousand Boers at Koodoeberg. This was on Monday. The Boers have been taking the offensive against Gen. French near Itensburg, as well as against Gen. Gatacre in the Stormberg hills.

A supplementary army estimate, to March 31, was laid pro-forma before the house of commons yesterday but was not made public. It is reported that the call is for £30,000,000, which would make the cost of the war up to date £230,000,000. The maintenance of 200,000 men at the front, it is estimated, costs between £8,000,000 and £10,000,000 per month.

FROM LADYSMITH BULLER INVISIBLE

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Ladysmith dated Tuesday, Feb. 6, says: "Little can be seen of Gen. Buller's action owing to the haze. It appears that the Boers have withdrawn their big guns from the hills here southward. A large force of Boers still remains and the garrison is prepared for a night attack.

WAR IN ZULULAND

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DURBAN, Feb. 9.—A large force of Boers attacked Nordwent in Zululand and destroyed the public buildings. They took numerous prisoners. A force of volunteers with artillery has been despatched thither to support the scouts and to oppose a further advance by the Boers.

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PATTEE'S ELECTION

As City Messenger Pronounced Illegal

A Sun representative has consulted a lawyer in regard to the election of city messenger and has found the most conclusive evidence that Joseph E. Pattee holds the office illegally, for the reason that he secured votes by trades with councilmen in lieu of the appointments of elevator man and assistant janitor.

The trade for elevator man was admitted by the councilman who made it and who has even gone so far in his ignorance of the law as to threaten legal proceedings against Mr. Pattee for refusing to carry out the agreement by leaving the appointment of elevator man to him under the provisions of the trade.

The law upon this matter as stated by the gentleman consulted who by the way has had long experience in passing upon such matters is as follows: Acts of 1898, Chapter 548, Section 263 of Corrupt Practices Act: "No person shall, in order to aid or promote his own nomination or election to a public office directly or indirectly by himself or through another person, promise to appoint, or promise to secure or assist in securing the appointment, nomination or election of another person to a public position or employment, or to a position of honor, trust or emolument, except that he may announce or define what is his choice or purpose in relation to an election in which he may be called to take part."

This, it is very plain, covers the case in point with the utmost precision. The supreme court has decided in numerous cases that any official securing election by such means cannot be regarded as holding office legally and can be removed by an appeal to the courts. Moreover, the trade for elevator man is not the only one which can be proved against Mr. Pattee. The assistant janitor of city hall was also appointed under an arrangement with a councilman in lieu of his vote and his influence. Consequently on this point alone, Mr. Pattee can be removed from the office and in consequence, Mr. Fagan is still legally city messenger.

But there is another consideration which enters into the matter, as affecting the legality of Pattee's election. In chapter 415 of the acts of 1896, section 7, it is provided as follows: "Neither the city council nor either branch thereof, nor any committee or member thereof, shall directly or indirectly take part in the employment of labor, etc."

This makes it quite clear that the councilmen who traded with Mr. Pattee for the appointments of elevator man and assistant janitor of city hall violated this provision of the charter. Consequently they are subject to the penalty of the law on this point alone in addition to the violation of the corrupt practices act quoted above.

Hence the lawyer which The Sun representative has consulted, pronounced it absolutely certain that Mr. Fagan has still a right to claim his salary and that Mr. Pattee can be removed beyond a doubt by an appeal to the courts.

It remains now with Mr. Fagan or the democratic party to take the proper steps to vindicate the law. This information will be a surprise to some of the republican officials who have so far forgotten the provisions made by law to prevent corruption in the election or appointment to public office.

It is high time that councilmen should know that it is a violation of the statutes to trade their votes in lieu of getting friends appointed to office. The councilmen who enter into these trades and corrupt practices had better be relegated to private life, as their presence at city hall is an injury to the city inasmuch as they use their influence to load the city pay roll with their personal friends, heelers and favorites. It is time that such abuses were stamped out, and it rests now with Mr. Fagan to expose the corrupt methods by which Mr. Pattee has entered the office of city messenger and in which several councilmen are equally implicated.

BAD EMBANKMENT

A Miniature Landslide on First Street

INTERFERES WITH LAWRENCE TRAFFIC

Hanson's Barge Utilized in Passenger Service

The Lawrence line of street railway is handicapped somewhat today in making schedule time by a landslide at the First street embankment, a short distance from the huge stone wall so well known to patrons of that route.

Every winter since the inception of the road, more or less difficulty has been experienced by a miniature landslide from the embankment a short distance from the car house. The landslide completely covers the street railway tracks temporarily obstructing all travel. Today Hanson's large barge is being utilized to convey passengers from electric cars at either end of the landslide and thus the travel to and from Lawrence is made continuous.

A street railway official was seen by a Sun reporter relative to the condition of affairs on First street and was informed that it is a matter that cannot be remedied.

In years past the official stated that the street railway company has been put to considerable expense in removing the dirt from the tracks caused by the slide. Every spring after the frost thaws out, a hard slide follows and comes without any warning whatever, and all that the railroad company has to do is to meet it.

Quite frequently after the tracks have once been cleared other slides follow in quick succession causing vexatious trouble.

When the tracks were first laid along the Lawrence line the street railway company was compelled to lay rails on that side of the street.

MESSENGER PATTEE

APPOINTS AN ENGINEER AND AND ASSISTANT.

City Messenger Pattee this noon stated to a reporter of The Sun that James McGann, engineer of the boilers at city hall has resigned. Joseph Richards, who was Mr. McGann's assistant, has been appointed engineer and John Barrett will take Richards' place.

FR. GIGAULT'S CONDITION.

At noon today the condition of Rev. Frederick Gigault, O. M. I., was reported as improved over that of last night when he had a very bad spell.

Miss Alice Gertrude Coram, and Miss Stella Mabel Ireson, who have been in New York for the last two weeks, are expected to arrive in Lowell today.

The Poverty and Character Party of the Mohair Plush Company at Prescott hall tonight will be a unique event.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Jas. T. Smith's Woman's Suffrage Bill Heard

THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION TO IT

Boston & Albany Decate Was Continued

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9—The committee on election laws gave a hearing yesterday morning on the petition of James T. Smith of Lowell to extend the suffrage in cities to such married women as possess the qualifications required of male voters. Mr. Smith appeared in favor of granting the petition, and advanced the arguments usually given in favor of woman suffrage, with the additional suggestion that the present petition and bill provided that the experiment should first be tried with married women, and if it was found to work well it could then be extended to include all women. There was no opposition.

IN THE HOUSE.

Mr. Crosby of Arlington presented the following petitions in remonstrance: Martha M. Hannaford and others, against the Lexington appropriation for the 125th anniversary of the battle and of G. D. line; Emma S. Merriam, Frank D. Brown and others against the same.

The petition of William H. Locke in relation to a metropolitan street commission came down from the senate in concurrence, the senate having referred the matter to the committee on cities.

On the amendment offered by Mr. Turtle to his order for an investigation of the Boston & Albany lease, Mr. McNary said he had not tried to rent the railroad commission in a false position.

The commission is used to answering a great many questions and questions having a local aspect. If that commission feels that it is unable to answer it can ask for the assistance of the attorney-general. Chairman Jackson has in contemplation a position on the bench of the superior court. The members should get all possible light on this subject and the railroad commission is the one to furnish it.

THE SENATE.

The senate took from the table the house order authorizing an investigation of the workings of the state highways and bridges, which was rejected without consideration by the committee on roads debate.

The committee on election laws reported adversely on a bill introduced by Michael J. Sullivan of Boston providing that after registration papers have once been filed for certification before the election commissioners of Boston, they shall not be withdrawn.

The public charitable institutions committee reported against a bill introduced by Mr. George of Cleveland to provide that $7 a week instead of $5 be allowed by the state for the support of a person in a city or town hospital.

President Eliot of Harvard university was the star witness before the committee on cities to advocate Representative McCarthy's bill for a city employes' retirement fund. Dr. Eliot said that there were objections to other than a compulsive measure and he cited the pension system in vogue at Harvard as very useful in securing the men.

It was necessary to open the doors into the corridors to relieve the crush in the gypsy moth commission room, charges of juggling in the returns being made by an employe.

Handsome prizes at Mohair Poverty ball tonight.

LAID AT REST

Funeral Of the Late Governor Goebel

THE CORTEGE WAS A LONG ONE

10,000 People on the Streets

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 9.—Rain came down in sheets yesterday while the funeral services were being held over the body of Kentucky's dead democratic leader. Until 9 o'clock the morning was dark and cloudy, but the sun came out then and there was promise of a pleasant day.

At the hour of the formation of the funeral procession, however, rain began to fall and shortly after the noon hour, when the parade was on the march, the floods began to descend. There were dry intervals, but just as the hearse left the Capitol hotel, a heavy shower began, which continued all the afternoon.

The crowd in the cemetery was much smaller than it would have been had the weather been pleasant, but the exercises there were carried out to the letter, and last night the body of William Goebel laid in the chapel of the Frankfort cemetery, after one of the greatest demonstrations ever seen in this state. When the weather clears sufficiently the casket will be consigned to the grave.

It had been feared trouble might arise between the soldiers in the capitol grounds and desperate partisans on the line of march, when the parade passed the capitol square, but nothing of the kind occurred. The soldiers were kept back on the level in front of the capitol building, and sentries were posted in front of them to prevent them from going near the fence when the parade was passing.

Orders had been issued on the democratic side that no comments should be made by the men in the parade as they passed the grounds. For 24 hours all the saloons had been closed. The day passed without any exhibition of feeling on either side.

Early in the morning the arrival of people to witness the funeral began, many of them coming in buggies from the country. Special trains came in from Georgetown and Lexington and other places, but the large crowds came on the regular trains from Louisville and Cincinnati. Fully 10,000 persons were on the streets to watch the funeral. The body lay in state in the parlor of the Capital hotel until 11 o'clock, and more persons viewed the remains yesterday morning than Wednesday.

The procession began to form at 11 o'clock on Wapping street, headed by police, members of the city council, city officials, Grand Marshal David R. Murray and his aides. Then came members of different societies and citizens on foot.

The march to the cemetery from the hotel began at 1 o'clock. The band played "Nearer, My God, to Thee," as it passed the south front of the hotel. After the band came carriages containing the honorary pall bearers, who were as follows:

J. C. S. Blackburn, Gen. J. H. Lewis, Judge W. S. Pryor, the Hon. J. R. McCleary, Gen. Phil B. Thompson, the Hon. James H. Mulligan, Louis Desmonnets, Samuel J. Shackleford, J. D. Rhynock, J. W. Pugh, Zach Phelps, W. R. Hellman, Charles B. Poynitz and Morton K. Yonts.

Beside the hearse walked the active pall bearers. These were:

Jack Culin, Chas. G. McCord, Ed. Fennell, James M. Richardson, Henry George, Eph Lillard, Willard Mitchell, Charles M. Lewis, John L. Grayel, John K. Hendrick, John Fulton, Dry Woodson, Joe Blackburn, Jr., Allie W. Young, R. B. Franklin and Percy Haley.

SENATOR BLACKBURN'S SPEECH.

In his speech at Gov. Goebel's funeral, Senator Blackburn made a thrilling speech which was in part as follows:

"The tyrannous and bloody act is done. The most arch deed of piteous massacre that ever yet this land was guilty of. Goebel is dead, but that which he stood for and that which he died for, still lives. Some men in their deaths render greater services to the cause they advocate than it was possible to do in life. The shot that struck Goebel down sounded the death knell of the political organization of his opponents for all time in Kentucky and in its effects will reach to the limits of this land. That this cruel deed was the natural result of the fiery contest from which he laid just emerged none can deny. The fierceness of the fight that had been waged against him, for malignancy and unfairness has no precedent in the history of our country. 'Tis but just to him to say that the perfect courage, the forbearance and dignity that has marked the conduct of his followers was largely due to the example which he had set them."

"Twould be but poor satisfaction to see the miserable tools and instruments made use of in his murder give up their lives to an infuriated populace. Be patient and neither the perpetrators nor yet the most guilty planners of this foul crime will escape the penalty that the law provides. You need not fear for failure of discovery. No crimes like this can be concealed."

"The universal manifestations of sorrow among our people give painful evidence that your leader has fallen. He not discredited. The world's history proves that a leader fit to succeed him will not be lacking. Exalted as were his properties of leadership, the demand of the situation will furnish us another. From the ashes of Wm. Goebel let there spring a champion of the people's cause. The brunt of the battle that he waged needed only a continuance of his efforts to crown it with success and that result was reached more speedily by his taking off."

"Revolting as were the methods employed to compass his destruction, there were features connected with the end that tend to comfort and reconcile us to it. He had given the best commission to reclaim his state and to redeem his people. And this work he had nobly done. The full measure of his ambition had been attained. Dying, he attested by his smile, the satisfaction of his soul when the oath of office was administered and he breathed his last blending to the prayers that his people, grateful for their deliverance from the domination of anarchists and assassins, sent with his liberated spirit into the presence of his God."

The speaker closed with a warm and feeling tribute to the good qualities of the dead leader.

FOUND GUILTY

Peter Bowers of Larceny of Bottles

Five simple drunks appeared before Judge Hadley this morning. One was released. Arthur Arrisseault and Charles Whitney were assessed $3 each and John Britton was fined $5. James Quinn came in the police station last evening and asked to be locked up. He said he was a stranger in this city and did not have any home. His Honor sentenced him to the state farm at Bridgewater.

Fred Broyers, charged with assault and battery on Caroline Broyers, pleaded not guilty and was defended by Daniel J. Lonahoe, Esq.

The complainant, Mrs. Caroline Broyers, was the first witness and she testified that she lived in West Fourth street and carried dinners to her aunt in the Boott mills. On the day of the alleged assault she arrived at the mill at twenty minutes of twelve and while passing through the mill, defendant struck her in the face with his hand. Complainant is a sister-in-law of defendants.

Mrs. Laboume, an aunt of plaintiff's was next placed on the stand and her testimony in part was as follows: "I work in the Boott mill and on the day of the alleged assault I saw defendant put his hand on the plaintiff's face but I did not see him strike her. I was working at my loom at the time and could not see everything that was done.

At this point the court thought that there wasn't enough evidence against the defendant, and the court, therefore discharged him.

The continued case of Peter J. Bowers charged with the larceny of 160 empty bottles from a junk wagon, the property of Joseph Stevenson was found guilty by the court and ordered to pay a fine of $10.

Remember Poverty Character Party, Prescott hall, 25 cents.

DEATHS

TANNER—Mr. George Tanner died last night at his home, 41 June street, aged 48 years and 5 months. He was born in Frome, England, and had been a resident of Lowell nearly 30 years. He is survived by a widow and two sons, Benjamin, an employe of the Bigelow Carpet works, and Thomas, a musician. The deceased had many friends in this city. He was a man of kind and generous disposition, always ready to assist, quietly and quickly, in time of trouble.

FUNERALS

KANE—The funeral of Francis Kane, infant son of Patrick and Annie Kane, occurred yesterday afternoon at three o'clock from 7 Court avenue and interment was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of J. F. O'Donnell.

SHRIGLEY—The remains of the late Edward Shrigley were consigned to their final resting place in the Catholic cemetery yesterday morning. The funeral which took place from his late home, 76 Newhall street, at 8.30 o'clock was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the deceased. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Thomas Murphy, O. M. I. The church choir rendered appropriate selections. Miss Adelaide Sullivan presided at the organ. The bearers were Edward Rock, Patrick Green, Joseph McEvoy, James Gorman, Thomas McCann and Thomas Sexton. Rev. J. P. Reynolds, O. M. I., read the service at the grave and interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker N. H. McDermott.

PROPER—The funeral services of Sarah A. Proper, wife of Abram A. Proper, were held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the office of Undertaker Currier. Rev. Mr. Fisher officiated. The remains were forwarded to Natick for interment.

CURRIE—The funeral services of Jane C. Currie were held yesterday afternoon at 73 Bartlett street, Rev. Mr. Craig officiating. Mrs. Leggott sang. Interment was in the Edson cemetery in charge of C. M. Young.

DARBY—The funeral services of Leon A. Darby, son of Albert and Kate Darby, were held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at 25 Tanner street. Rev. Mr. Matthews officiated and interment was in the Edson cemetery in charge of C. M. Young.

Mohair Poverty ball, Prescott hall, tonight.

LOWELL ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

The prominent features of next Sunday's recital at Odd Fellows' hall will be the appearance of Miss Gertrude Edmunds, one of the most noted contraltos of Boston, who is so well known throughout New England that only the mere announcement is necessary for the lovers of genuine musical talent to turn out in full force. Also, Mr. Roland Huxley, the young but brilliant violin virtuoso, who commenced playing in the orchestra in short parts, and Mr. Wm. F. McAloon's stirring march, "Military Echoes," Mr. McAloon's many friends who intend to be present will be pleased to hear the Sousa-esque-like strains of his composition played by an orchestra of 56 pieces, and will be proud that Lowell has a composer of such genuine ability. The orchestral selections are of a very pleasing character and the recital will be one of the best.

Reserved seats for 25 cents are now on sale at Austin's music store, Bridge street, and there are choice seats left.

MOB OF MINERS

PREVENTS HARVESTING OF THE SUGAR CANE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FORT DE FRANCE, Island of Martinique, Feb. 9.—(Via Haytien cable). There have been grave happenings here. A mob of about 200 miners has since Monday last, been preventing the harvesting of sugar cane. The movement is tending and troops have been sent in all directions. An infantry post of 25 men was attacked, and fired on its assailants, killing nine men and wounding fourteen.

In the Commune of Le Francois two incendiary fires have occurred on plantations.

GEN. OTIS

IS COMING FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—After the new Philippine commission reaches Manila in April next, Maj. Gen. Otis will return to the United States.

It is stated in administration circles that his return is not in the nature of a recall, but is a compliance with the general's own request, that he be allowed to visit his family.

He has been in the east nearly two years and is anxious to come home.

It is extremely probable that he will be succeeded by Gen. MacArthur, who is now in next command, although some officer may be sent from the United States.

BROWN HANGED

For the Murder of Policeman Gebhardt

THE OFFICER WAS SHOT AND KILLED

While Trying to Arrest the Man

By Associated Press to The Sun.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Feb. 9—James K. Brown, who shot and killed Policeman Charles Gebhardt of Hoboken on July 26, 1898, was hanged in the Hudson county jail this morning.

James K. Brown was 37 years old. He had served a term in prison for robberies before he was arrested for the murder of Policeman Charles Gebhardt of Hoboken. On July 26, 1898 Gebhardt, in plain clothes saw Brown pull the bell of a house after calling at other houses. Brown had been inquiring for a room. The police think he was making observations with the intention of committing robberies. Gebhardt went up and arrested Brown, who drew a revolver and shot the policeman, who fell dead. Another policeman got the prisoner to a police station. Brown said he came to Hoboken looking for work and had shot in self-defence. Appeals from the conviction were taken to the supreme court, the court of errors and appeals to the United States court. The main ground of the appeal was an objection to the trial by a struck jury.

A ROBBER KILLED

By the Men He Tried to Rob

HE OPENED FIRE ON THEM

And They Levelled Revolvers on Him

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—A lone robber, well dressed, with money in his pockets and with a silk mask to cover up his features, was shot and killed in C. H. Woerner's Park pavilion on West Madison street late last night by Frank Barum, a lawyer, and Edward Sommerfeldt, a barkeeper.

The dead robber was 38 years old, five feet 11 inches tall, weighing 170 pounds, dark complexion, gray eyes, brown hair and moustache streaked with gray. His derby hat and clothing were marked with the names of New York firms, while the letters "R. S." were marked on the dead man's linen.

Besides Sommerfeldt and Barum there was only one other person in the saloon when the robber entered. The robber commanded them to throw up their hands. Resistance was offered and in the struggle the robber fired twice at his victims, one of the bullets taking effect in Sommerfeldt's arm. Barum then managed to wrench the revolver from the robber. Sommerfeldt, in the meantime had secured his revolver and both he and Barum fired several shots at the robber, who fell dead at their feet.

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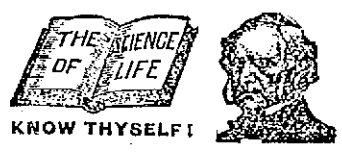

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SUNDAYS, 8.40 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, c6.45, w6.50, 7.04, *7.30, *7.35, 7.34, *7.43, w*8, *8.07, c9.19, w9.25 *9.30, w10.50, 11.03, *11.12 a. m.; w12.05, 12.10, w12.45, 1.13, w2.30, c3.03, w3.10, *3.17, w3.55, 4.23, w5.15, 5.27, c5.43, w*6.15, *6.22, 7.00, *7.13, w8.25 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 7.30, 7.35, w8.15, 8.48, 9.13 a. m., w12.05, w4.05, 4.55, w5.30, 5.23, w7.25, p. m.

For Lawrence, 5.28, w6.50, z7.34, w8.30, w9.25, 10.16, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, w2.30, w3.55, 5.18, w5.15, w6.16, w7.00, w9.25, w11.25 p. m.
SUNDAYS, w8.45 a. m.; w12.05, w5.33, w7.25 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.34 a. m.; w12.05, 1.23, w5.15, 5.53 p. m.

For Haverhill, 5.28, 6.50, z7.34, 8.30, 9.25, 10.15 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.15, 6.15, 7.05, 8.25, w11.15 p.m.
SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.50, 7.25 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, z7.34, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.34, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m., for Somersworth and Portland.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30, a. m.; 12.05, 6.15 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30, a. m; 12.05, 6.15 p m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.; 6.15 p. m., ex. Saturday for Belfast and Rockland.
SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. Jean's, N. B., Halifax, N. S., Montreal and Quebec, 6.15 p. m. (5.45 does not connect Saturdays.)
SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland), on (Mondays, for St. John only) and Thursdays, at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland) Tuesdays and Fridays at 5.15 p. m.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.04, 7.34, *7.43, 11.03 a. m.; 1.43, 4.23 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 8.43 a. m.; 4.25, 5.58 p. m.

For Ayer and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 5.01 and 5.42 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.12 a. m.; 1.00, 3.41, 5.41 p. m.
SUNDAYS, 3 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.12 a. m.; 3.41 p. m.
SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, 1, *1.40, 3.41, *5.15, 6.27, *8.10, *8.40 p.m.
SUNDAYS, 10.03 a. m.; (to Nashua only) 8.03 a. m.; 2.00, 5.02, 8.10, 8.40 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; 12.12, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, *a8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, N. H., Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.40 a. m.; 1.40 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *9.40 a. m.; *1.10, *a8.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Jct., Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal, via Central Vermont line, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, a*5.40 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line, *9.40 a. m.; a*5.40 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth, and Sherbrooke, *9.40 a. m.; *8.40 p. m., ex. Sat.

References:
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THE BURKES WON

In the Finest Game of the Season

DEFEATING DARTMOUTH COLLEGE 10 TO 6

Y. M. C. A. Rules Used In Second Half

The Burkes basket ball team defeated the Dartmouth college team last evening in the most interesting game seen here this year.

The game was played in Associate hall and 1000 cranks cheered themselves hoarse over it. The college boys were by far the best team that has played here this season and they gave the Burkes an interesting run for their money. They brought rosin to overcome the disadvantage of the slippery floor, could pass and dribble fairly well and at goal throwing were superior if anything to the home team. But perhaps they didn't hate to lose the game! When at the end of the first half the score stood 10 to 2 against them, they declined to play any more unless the Burkes played their way, by the Y. M. C. A. rules which were considerably different from those of the Burkes. The latter played the half by Y.M.C.A. rules and failed to score while the Dartmouths played awfully hard and pulled up four points, not enough to change the general result. It was not a bad idea to call for the Y. M. C. A. rules, as it is probable that the Burkes will be obliged to play under them at the Sportsmen's Show and the sooner they become familiar with them, the better.

The local team consisted of Tierney, Reagan, Healey, Marley, and Kelleher, and as was expected they gave that same fine exhibition that characterizes all their work. At passing they have no equals. Their scoring in the first half was done by Marley, Kelleher and Reagan, the last named being the star of the game. Reagan's opposite was a brawny young giant and the clever manner in which Pete ducked and dodged him kept the spectators in an uproar of enthusiasm. While Tierney and Healey failed to score they contributed their share to the general success and are entitled to a few of the bouquets. Hubbard and Alling were the stars of the Dartmouth team, although all five men played well.

On February 21, the Burkes will play the world's champions, the Twenty-third street gymnasium of New York.

The line-up:

BURKES.		DARTMOUTH
Capt. Tierney, lf	rg,	Craig
Reagan, rf	lg,	Alling
Healey, c	c,	Hubbard
Marley, lg	rf,	Newman
Kelliher, rg	lf,	Abbott (capt.)

Score, Burkes, 10; Dartmouth 6; goals from floor, Reagan (2), Marley, Kelliher, goals on fouls, Reagan (2), fouled on free throws, Reagan (6), Kelliher, Hubbard (5), Abbott (3), fouls called on, Alling (3, Hubbard (), Craig (2), Reagan (5), Kelliher, Marley and Tierney; referees, George Rooney, Lowell; F. S. Archibald, timekeepers, James Wynne and Alfred Kennedy, time, 20-minute halves.

During the halves of the big game the Burke Juniors and the Palmers contested in a hot game which won by the former team by a score of 4 to 1.

Coleman scored the two goals for the Burkes, while Donahue tallied the only point for the Palmers on a foul. Charlie Shea and Jimmy Reagan played a fast game for the winners while "Shaver" Maloney and Donahue played the best for the Palmers. The line-up:

BURKES.		PALMERS.
McCarthy, lf	rg,	McMahon
Reagan, rf	lg,	Hadley
O'Day, c	c,	Wallace
Shea, lg	rf,	Donahue
Coleman, rg	lf,	Maloney

Score, Burkes, 4; Palmers, 1; goals from floor, Coleman (2), from fouls, Donahue; references, James Wynne and George Rooney.

Mr. C. Jas. Wynn made his debut as a referee in the first half of the junior game and received an ovation. Aside from calling a strike on one of the players, he did excellently and Mr. Rooney will soon have to look his laurels.

After the game a dance was held with Referee Rooney as floor director and nearly all the audience remained for it. The Excelsior orchestra furnished the music.

BILLERICA CENTRE

There were twenty-five marriages in Billerica in the year 1899. St. Andrew's parish had seven in all, Fr. Paquette having 5 and Father Lavole 2. The out-of-town bridegrooms came from Tewksbury, Newton, Abbington, one each and Lowell three. There were three brides from Lowell, one each from Pittsfield, Chelmsford and Charlestown. The youngest bride was 18 years and oldest bride 43. The youngest groom was 20 and the oldest 61. There were forty-nine births, 25 boys and 24 girls. The deaths were twenty-five boys and twenty-four girls. The deaths were twenty-four males and eighteen females.

A second party of fishermen consisting of Walter Holden, Oscar Smith, Oscar Fellows and Ernest Frost went to Forge Village early yesterday morning and came home better satisfied than on the previous occasion. They brought home thirteen medium sized pickerel and about a week ago they had poor success at Graniteville and are rejoicing over their large "haul."

Mr. Rufus R. Russell is still seriously ill at his home on Jones Corner. He is being attended by Dr. Buch.

Mr. Frank Crosby is still cutting ice. The ice is of first quality.

A birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Shepard in honor of their guest, Miss Eliza Lawrence, who was seventeen years old Wednesday evening. During the evening refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. There was vocal music and piano solos by invited guests. She received numerous presents and at a late hour the party dismissed.

Two cases of stone arrived yesterday for the underground passage at Colby's crossing. It will probably be completed in the course of a month.

PERSONAL.

Tonight will be the third and last evening of the Sacred Heart festival at the Sacred Heart school hall. The Y. M. C. I. will have charge of the entertainment this evening, which will be a minstrel show. We need not say anything about the character of the show that will be given, for the public of Lowell knows that they have the amateur dramatic company in the city, if not in the state, his evening will close the festival and it is expected that the hall will crowded to the doors.

Arthur W. McLean of this city was elected president Wednesday of the freshman class of Boston University.

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FOUND DEAD IN BED

Delle Annie Latart Expired This Morning

IN HER ROOM, 14 BOOTT CORPORATION

Heart Complaint the Cause of Death

Miss Delle Annie Latart, aged about 40 years, was found dead in her bed in her room, 14 Boott corporation about 8 o'clock this morning.

The deceased was for a long period employed as a spinner in Overseer Hounsell's department of the Boott mills but of late became a sufferer from heart trouble and required the attendance of Drs. Warner and Lavigne. Last night before retiring she appeared to show signs of improvement and was in good spirits.

Mrs. Richardson, who is in charge of No. 14 Boott corporation, on calling the Latart woman this morning, failed to receive a response and notified her husband whose efforts in the same direction also proved futile. He therefore notified Police Officer John Dennett, who forced in the door and found the woman in the bed undressed lying near the edge. The dead woman in the past, owing to the nature of her complaint, had been compelled to seek sleep while sitting in a chair.

She was a native of Quebec and has a brother Henry Latart of Ware Village, Mass., who has been notified of her death by the local police.

Miss Latart was in comfortable circumstances and had an insurance on her life. She is spoken of highly, as a woman of excellent Christian traits of character.

HOME CLUB DANCE

Their Third Social Was Held Last Night

AND IT WAS A GRAND SUCCESS

A Cake Walk Among the Features

The Home club held the third in its series of select socials in Prescott hall last evening and the affair equalled its predecessor in the pleasure it afforded. There was no march, but a new and very taking feature was introduced during the evening and it was a cake walk for all, beginning in sets and concluding with all hands around the hall.

During the evening the lemonade booth was presided over by Miss Sadie McDonald and Miss Flemings, both in dainty new gowns. Harry Richardson served ices at intermission. The officers were: General manager, C. A. Gale; floor director, J. W. Crawford; aids, A. G. McCurdy, T. C. Ware, F. J. Sherwood, M. F. Cummings, W. E. Bartlett, John Buckley, J. A. Lyman, F. H. oCle, A. J. Dion, M S. Clark and George E. Titus; reception committee, A. G. Thompson, Alex. M. Abels, Walter P. Wiley, Elwyn W. Lovejoy, Orrin R. Griffin, Seldon D. Sawtelle, Dr. Otis Allen, G. W. Fenton, Girard P. Dadman, Walter F. Leighton and J. W. Anderson.

JUDGE KNOWLTON

Refuses to Grant Injunction on Fitchburg Lease

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Judge Knowlton, in the supreme court yesterday afternoon, refused to restrain Gov. Crane and other state officials, including the state directors of the Fitchburg R. R. from voting in favor of the lease of the Fitchburg to the Boston and Maine R. R. company, as prayed for in the bill in equity brought by James M. Hilton of Cambridge, a Fitchburg stockholder.

STORM PREDICTED

COLD WAVE SPREADING OVER THE COUNTRY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Weather conditions and general forecast: The cold wave has extended over the upper lake region and the lower Ohio and lower Mississippi valleys where the temperature has fallen thirty to forty degrees since Wednesday night. In the Atlantic coast states and from the Rocky mountains to the Pacific coast the temperature has risen.

During Friday and Friday night the cold wave will cover the Atlantic coast districts preceded by rain and attended by clearing weather with probably snow flurries in the middle and north Atlantic states. During Friday night the temperature will fall to about the freezing point along the gulf and South Atlantic states and in extreme northern Florida.

Saturday will be fair and cold in the Atlantic coast states after which the temperature will begin to moderate. Along the North Atlantic coast, high easterly winds will shift to northwesterly late Friday. On the middle and south Atlantic coast the winds will shift to strong northwesterly.

Storm signals are displayed along the Atlantic and gulf coasts and cold wave signals are displayed generally east of the Mississippi valley except in northern New England and in the west gulf states.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Light rain or snow tonight; fair Saturday; much colder; variable winds, becoming westerly.

BROKE HIS WRIST

WHILE TRYING TO REPLACE A BELT.

This morning while Joseph Rash, an employe in the foundry of the Lowell Machine shop, was at work one of the belts flew off the pulley and in trying to get it on he sprained his wrist. The ambulance was summoned and he was taken to the Corporation hospital where his wrist was dressed.

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GENERALS' FAULT

Franklin Young, the War Critic

SAYS THE BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE BRAVE

But the Generals are Crossly Incompotent

Franklin K. Young, the great war critic, writes as follows of the war situation:

"About the only thing appertaining to the British army in South Africa which can be spoken of with approbation is the self-evident resolution of the British rank and file and particularly during its evolutions in retreat. That the British troops have shown superb skill and steadiness in retrograde movements before the victorious Boers is undeniable; and all the more creditable from the standpoint of the military art as it is in just those situations that troops of less courage and less discipline invariably go to pieces.

The rank and file of the British army is deserving of high praise in that after being led to the slaughter by ignorant and worthless officers, the men by their personal interpidity have stood shoulder to shoulder and not only have saved their own lives but have preserved for the English government thousands of splendid soldiers who otherwise would have been massacred or captured by the pursuing enemy.

For instance, when Gen. Gatacre led his troops into a great defile among the mountains where they found themselves surrounded on three sides by a superior enemy, posted on inaccessible heights there is no trouble in drawing a comparison between General Gatacre and other generals who never did any such thing as this. On the other hand when the English rank and file extricated themselves from a situation of this kind, with a loss of only 20 per cent., instead of being captured entire as would have been the case had they been other than veteran regular troops, they well deserve the Christmas present of a cake of chocolate from Her Majesty the Queen.

In the same way, in the case of Gen. Methuen, who started out to surprise the Boers at Magersfontein, and who was himself surprised and routed by a so-called horde of Dutch farmers, the attention of the military student is attracted to the fact that while night marches by the flank to surprise the enemy have been made successfully, that such successful maneuvers never were made after the fashion attempted by Gen. Methuen. But particularly is the student of the military art struck by the superb individual bravery and skill shown by the British regular and he readily sees that to this superb bravery and skill alone is due the fact that Gen. Methuen's army was not destroyed entire.

On the Tugela, Gen. Buller has demonstrated that his understanding of military art and science is on the same plane as that of Gen. Gatacre and Gen. Methuen. In a certain sense all these officers are entitled to sympthy; they mean well but they don't know. It is a horrible situation in which to place a man when having a supreme command and with the eyes of the world fixed upon him and the welfare of his government at stake, he is brought face to face with a proposition in military mathematics of whose solution and of the processes incident thereto he has not the remotest conception.

This is the matter with the English generals. Each man tried to do his duty and to its attempt each devoted his utmost efforts. But as a man with his eyes shut runs toward a precipice at top speed, so does a man accelerate the destruction of his army when with all possible energy he enters upon the accomplishment of a false and unscientific military manoeuver.

At the present moment the air is filled with every variety of rumor, more or less misleading, from the theatre of war in South Africa. In Natal Gen. Buller is said to be making a third attempt to raise the seige of Ladysmith. Coming on top, as this does, of the utter failure of his attempted flank march via Spion Kop, an dwith his army weakened and demoralized to a greater or less extent by two serious defeats, it does not appear, at this distance, that the Boers need to have any great solitude in regard to Gen. Buller's immediate or ulterior objective.

To be sure it is posible that his army may have been reinforced, but the reinforcements which he has received hardly will replace the thousands of veteran soldiers he has lost. In any event it is quite evident that he is not attempting a flank movement, and unless he makes a successful flank movement he must attack the Boer position in front. If Gen. Buller crosses the Tugela river at Poletegiers drift and attacks in front the Boer position of Schoen Kop, there are reasons to elieve that at some future time the English nation will be justified in buying of the United States of South Africa that particular bit of country for a military cemetery.

That is to say, although nobody acquainted with English military ideas will venture to set any bounds to the easiness of their commanders, it does not seem probable that at the present momoent Gen. Buller is in condition to make another attack in force, and it seems most likely that his operations today are limited merely to heavy skirmishing, and for the purpose of giving his troops something to think about besides the seeming hopelessness of the attempt of the British empire to overpower two little Boer republics.

One of the funniest dispatches from the front thus far is to the effect that Sir Hector MacDonald with two battalions, a regiment of cavalry and a battery, commands the road from Hopetown to Kimberly. This dispatch is a good illustration of what a German officer once said of the English idea of war, i. e., it dated back to the days of Achilles when one man all by himself could terrorize a whole army.

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Past and Present in Lowell

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Our tonsorial establishments have undergone a greater change since the civil war than any other line of business in our city. Until about 1870 there perhaps were not more than a dozen barbers in the city that were not colored men, as white men did not take very kindly to the barber business. In those days the business of hair dressing, cutting and shaving meant more than it does today, as one or two very important branches of the business seems to have entirely disappeared, such as wig making and hair dyeing. I can remember quite distinctly when very few people would go into a barber shop without having either their whiskers, moustache or hair dyed which was a great fad in those days; they also had their hair curled. Today that branch of the business is little known among the barbers of the city. Nobody would ever think of calling a barber a millionaire in those days, although years ago some of the barbers seemed to be given to saving money and in time accumulated considerable property. I can remember when such men as old Hollis Proctor, Alek. Burton, Dave Brooks and old Uncle Lewis and Sam Benson, all colored people, accumulated considerable wealth. For some unknown reason in our city today with one or two exceptions there is not a colored barber working at the business.

The barber of today is quite a dresser and it is an acknowledged fact that barbers as a rule are among the best dressed men in town. There is usually a strong social side to a barber and there is no pleasanter place to frequent than the barber shop. When you think of the peculiarity of their profession, doesn't it strike you as funny how they ever learn to be journeymen barbers. In the beginning a man has to serve an apprenticeship and it takes about a year to learn the trade in all its branches. Then they find material to work on. At mostly any other kind of a mechanical business a person is given the material to work on and after becoming proficient with the tools they are allowed to finish some particular kind of work. But the barber plays a very strange part in the learning of his business, as he cannot use any dummies to practice on; nothing but a human face will answer his purpose, and it seems that no man would allow his face to be hacked up if he knew it. The apprentice first starts in as a whitewasher or more correctly speaking by lathering the customers. His next difficulty is that of dressing the hair after the journeyman barber had shaved the customer, but I suppose that occasionally a barber has a customer that he can work as a kind of dummy for his apprentice to practice on. There is nothing that will bring the cold perspiration over a person quicker than to get in the chair and have one of these apprentices operate on you. They can bring tears to your eyes quicker than they would come if you heard that one of your dearest and nearest relatives had passed away, and yet you would not dare to make much of a holler as you might fare worse if you got the artist nervous. But somehow or other they seem to get into the business and make a living at it.

Last year the barbers of the city tried to put a bill through the legislature to compel every barber to pass a kind of civil service examination under a practical barber appointed by the state legislature. Every man would have to pass an examination before practicing as a journeyman barber. There are many places where the sanitary condition of the shops is sadly neglected, in regard to towels, combs, brushes and tools. By their uncleanliness a customer's face is endangered with the barber's itch which is one of the worst and most troublesome skin diseases a person could be afflicted with. A person cannot be too careful where he has his work done, as we only have one face each and should be very careful of it.

But to go back to the legislature. The bill was killed and the principal reason perhaps was that the majority of the members were from the rural districts where they do their own shaving and are not interested in the sanitary condition of our barber shops. The duty of the barber appointed by the legislature would be to inspect at any time the condition of every establishment in the city, and if it was not up to the requirements of the law the proprietor would have to pay a heavy one which would cause him to be very particular in regard to the cleanliness of the establishment.

As a rule a good barber, like any other workman, need never have any worriment about finding employment It takes but a small sum for a person to go into the business for himself, but as a rule the best workmen are found among the salaried men rather than the proprietors. These proprietors are all very affable and friendly sort of fellows and are mighty well posted, and might be styled walking encyclopedias. In swapping stories and hearing discussions on so many different topics with such a variety of people they require a large and varied knowledge of the affairs of the day. Their establishments are usually very neatly and attractively fitted up with all the modern appliances, and there is generally a number of newspapers, periodicals and everything to make a customer's wait for his turn as pleasant as possible. Of course the order is "First come, first served." For practical jokers, barbers are famous. One of the funniest jokes perhaps that was ever worked in a barber shop was that played on P. T. Barnum, the great show man. One of the New York longshoremen who wa semployed in emptying one of the coal barges called at the barber shop to get a shave one Saturday night, and the place was pretty well filled with customers, when the great P. T. Barnum came in and on looking around thought he would be unable to wait long enough for his turn and suggested that if any man would give him his chance he would pay for his work. It fell to the lot of the old longshoreman to have the next turn, which he willingly gave up to the great showman. The proprietor being well acquainted with Barnum and knowing what a wonderful joker he was thought it was a capital chance to get one on him, so he informed the coal heaver that Barnum had agreed to pay for his work, but did not specify the amount of work to be done, so he started in by having a bath, which cost, 25c, A shave 10c, hair cut 25c, whiskers trimmed 25c, hair dyed 50c, hair curling 50c, making a total of $1.85. The great showman when presented the bill decided that it was one of the best jokes that was ever played on him. He showed his quick wit and ability as a showman by immediately engaging an artist to sketch this man's picture before and after his shave, and to paint a portrait of him telling what it cost to make the transformation scene from a hardy son of toil to a well groomed man. He had the picture painted and it hung in his museum for several years and was one of the attractions the people had to pay to see. After Barnum's museum in New York was abandoned, by some manner or other this picture finally passed along until it drifted into the city of Lowell where it now adorns the walls of Peter Cullin's barber shop on Appleton street, and it certainly makes a very interesting study when it is known to be founded on facts. But the barber's business is not the only one that is changing, as everything must change with the times.

JOS. STOWELL

AN OLD RESIDENT OF LAWRENCE PASSES AWAY.

Mr. Joseph Stowell, an old and highly respected citizen of Lawrence, passed away last evening at his home. For a couple of days past, deceased had been sinking and the result was not unexpected. About him to the last were his loving family. Mr. Frank E. Stowell of Lowell, of the firm of C. M. Young & Co., undertakers, is a son of the deceased.

Joseph Stowell was born in Vermont, April 10, 1824. His boyhood was that of the typical Vermonter, strong, rugged inflexible training and the lessons then learned made of him the man he was through his after life. He came to Lawrence before there was a Lawrence—in fact, he was considered by some as the longest resident, although challenged by others.

Immediate surviving members of his family are a daughter, Mrs. Hattie E. Williams and two sons, Frank E. of Lowell and Orville L. of Lawrence.

Cancer.

Mrs. S. M. Idol, Winston, N. C., writes: "Cancer is hereditary in our family, my father, sister, and aunt having died from this dreadful disease. I was thoroughly alarmed, therefore, when a malignant Cancer appeared on my side, and at once sought the treatment of the best physicians. They were unable to do any good, however, as the Cancer continued to grow worse and spread. I then tried S. S. S., which forced the disease out, and cured me permanently."

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Do You See the Point?

A GOOD SCHEME FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT.

The joint order passed by the common council to petition the legislature for permission to negotiate a loan of $500,000 to create a fund for the permanent improvement of streets is a step in the right direction.

In order that the public may understand this proposition in its true light it may be necessary to explain it more fully.

The order adopted by the common council is as follows:

Ordered, that the joint committee on finance be and hereby is authorized and requested to petition the General Court immediately upon the passage of this order for authority for the city of Lowell to negotiate a 30-year loan of ($500,000) five hundred thousand dollars for the permanent paving of the streets of said city, and to appropriate annually, from the general treasury fund a sum sufficient to pay the interest on said loan and to establish and maintain a sinking fund to meet the obligation at its maturity.

At first it may seem extravagant to suggest a loan of such a large amount but when we consider that already millions have been spent for the improvement of the public streets without anything permanent to show for the money it is high time to resort to other means.

The sum named would form a nucleus from which the city could draw for the smooth paving of our principal streets in a systematic way, which in time would result in having our streets made permanently good. Statistics of street work and street experiments show that the average cost of maintaining streets in good condition is from 3 1-3 to 5 1-2 cents per yard per annum. The average cost here in Lowell is vastly in excess of this figure and the condition of the streets in spite of the large expenditure is far from satisfactory.

This order is to come before the aldermen at their next meeting and will probably meet with their approval. Then the finance committee will have to draft the measure for submission to the legislature. It rests with the committee whether the bill will designate what streets shall be paved first or whether this matter shall be left to the city council, but judging from the action of the city council in distributing the smooth paving and other street improvements to benefit city officials, it would be well perhaps to incorporate in the measure that the principal business streets shall be first paved. Central street, Merrimack, Prescott, Market, Middlesex, and other streets in the heart of the city require attention, and if this scheme be carried out, they should be the first to be paved, as public convenience and necessity demand.

The loan could be paid by the creation of a sinking fund and the appropriation of a small amount annually to be placed at compound interest for the extinction of the principal.

But perhaps the best feature about this scheme is that it will inaugurate a systematic improvement of our public thoroughfares so that in a few years they will all be in good condition. Then expenses can be cut down as in Dayton, O., and other cities in the west which have secured the best and cleanest streets by methods quite similar to that proposed by Councilman Pickering.

WARD THREE CLUB.

The ward three club is liable to prosecution for usurping the chief cause d'etre of the board of trade in appointing committees to see that the city government shall do its duty. These committees are appointed to take charge of and direct the city government:—streets and sewers—lands and buildings—fire department—parks and commons—water department—overseers of the poor—school department.

But why should the ward three club stop here? Why not appoint a committee to look after the police board and the police department? Why not have a committee to see that City Messenger Pattee delivers the goods on that trade with a republican councilman, that the republican majority of the city council shall cease to play politics at the city's expense. Our city government no doubt needs a guardian and it shows a right spirit on the part of the ward three club to take this method of putting it on the right track.

PATTEE ILLEGALLY APPOINTED CITY MESSENGER.

The office of city messenger has been filled illegally and therefore Mr. Fagan who has been displaced by Pattee is still the city messenger. He has a just right to his salary and Pattee has no right whatever to claim the position inasmuch as he has admitted that he was elected on a trade with a councilman in lieu of votes. There were several trades on his election, one of which secured the position as elevator man, another that of assistant janitor, and so on. Now by what means were these positions secured except by Mr. Pattee's trades for votes. He does not seem to realize that there is a law against trading for votes and that the city charter forbids members of the city council to have anything to do with the employment of labor. The supreme court has repeatedly decided that no official chosen by illegal means can legally hold office. Hence Mr. Pattee is not elected and Mr. Fagan is still legally city messenger and can easily remove Pattee from the office by legal methods.

CRISP GOSSIP

Many of the Lowell Elks went to Boston yesterday afternoon and attended the theatrical entertainment for the benefit of Boston lodge.

This is the shortest month in the year and the last winter month.

Have you picked your valentine yet? Feb. 14, Wednesday next, is near at hand.

The man with the shovel and the sand box is the one that should have poems written about him these days.

A gentleman who might be considered good authority for a guess says that Manchester contains 16,000 or 18,000 people of French Canadian extraction, and between 12,000 and 14,000 people of Irish birth or descent. The census of 1900 will show Manchester to be a cosmopolitan community.

Sleighs are not very valuable property this winter.

The book of Job must be in favor with most of the clergy about this time. One has just lost his charge because he did not announce to his congregation his intention to marry, while another is to be tried for heresy. One of these days some absent-minded beggar will ask, "What is heresy?"

A St. Louis man has made the discovery that a cigar contains acetic, formic, vityric, valarianic, propionic and prussic acids creosote, phenol, ammonia, sulphuretted hydrogen, nicotine, picolene and some other things he does not know the names of. It is quite evident a man gets a good deal for his money when he buys a cigar.

When you have got through wanting anything, it is pretty apt to come.

We all feel like shaking hands with the man who sees that his horse is blanketed and as far as possible protected from harsh weather when it has stood a long while outside.

One of the most annoying persons is the one who claims to understand you and doesn't.

Mr. Roberts' successor will be a Mormon, but not a polygamist. There are Mormons and Mormons, it seems.

Another cold wave coming! Fill up the coal bin.

The small boy who has a skating surface in his yard is the envied of all his fellows, and has many of the rights of a dictator.

Two well known members of a Lowell church choir had a very unpleasant experience last Sunday evening. The matter has been kept quiet but like all good things leaked out. It seems the two young men went to Lawrence on a visit and while enjoying themselves in the company of two fair daughters of Sucketville missed the last car for Lowell. As it was imperative that they should reach home that night the disconsolate duo were compelled to have recourse to "Shank's mare" and footed it to Lowell. The walking was terribly bad, the ground being very "slippery elm" as they afterwards told friends. When half way to Centralville bridge, the "weary Willies" sat down on a stump of a tree and while there met two acquaintances who came over the road from Lawrence. Their spirits grew brighter as they could see visions of a ride the remainder of the distance to the Spindle city. Without waiting for an invitation both of the men with the sweet-toned voices stepped upon the wheels of the vehicle and were about to take a seat therein when the driver hit the horse with the whip, causing the animal to give a lurch, throwing the youths to the ground. As the team began vanishing from view, the driver could be heard exclaiming in stentorian tones, "The Walking is Good." It is this exclamation that now brings a blush to the face of the young men when uttered by friends who are "on" to the cold and weary tramp.

The girls that are wanted are good girls,
Good from the heart to the lips;
Pure as the lily is white and pure,
From its heart to its sweet leaf tips.

The girls that are wanted are home girls
Girls that are mother's right hand,
That fathers and brothers can trust, too,
And the little ones understand.

Girls that are fair on the hearthstone,
And pleasant when nobody sees;
Kind and sweet to their own folks,
Ready and anxious to please.

The girls that are wanted are wise girls,
That know what to do and to say,
That drive with a smile and a soft word
The wrath of the household away.

The girls that are wanted are girls of sense,
Whom fashion can never deceive;
Who can follow whatever is pretty,
And dare what is silly to leave.

The girls who are wanted are careful girls,
Who count what a thing will cost;
Who use a prudent, generous hand,
But see that nothing is lost.

The girls that are wanted are girls with hearts,
That are wanted for mothers and wives
Wanted to cradle in loving arms,

The strongest and frailest lives,
The clever, the witty, the brilliant girls,
There are few who can understand;
But, oh! for the wise, loving home girls
There's a steady, constant demand.

It is hoped that Eddie Santry, the conqueror of Ben Jordan, the celebrated English pugilist, will take his recent defeat by Terry McGovern like a man and not claim several months hence that he was drugged.

The guests grew weary waiting. Whispers went
The rounds; dark hints of new-arisen trouble;
The groom was nervous and now and then gave vent
To a sigh that bursted as an airy bubble.
The preacher's face the look of wonder caught
Of a Quaker meeting. It was a reminder.
As waited they and yet the bride came not
Until her anxious mother went to find her,
She at her mirror, lost in contemplation,
Was practicing a look of resignation.

Any fool man shows up well on the retina of a woman's eye.

A Lowell youth is worried by the fact that when a young man is courting a girl she wants him to spend considerable money on her and yet likes to have him close.

Miss Belle Flemming of Paul's Valley, I. T., is only 17 years old and yet she has been admitted to practice law at the bar of the United States court of the northern district of the territory.

The complete disappearance of lockjaw the germ of which is brought to cities in horse fodder, is expected to follow the retirement of the horse.

But few men have self confidence to argue with a pretty woman.

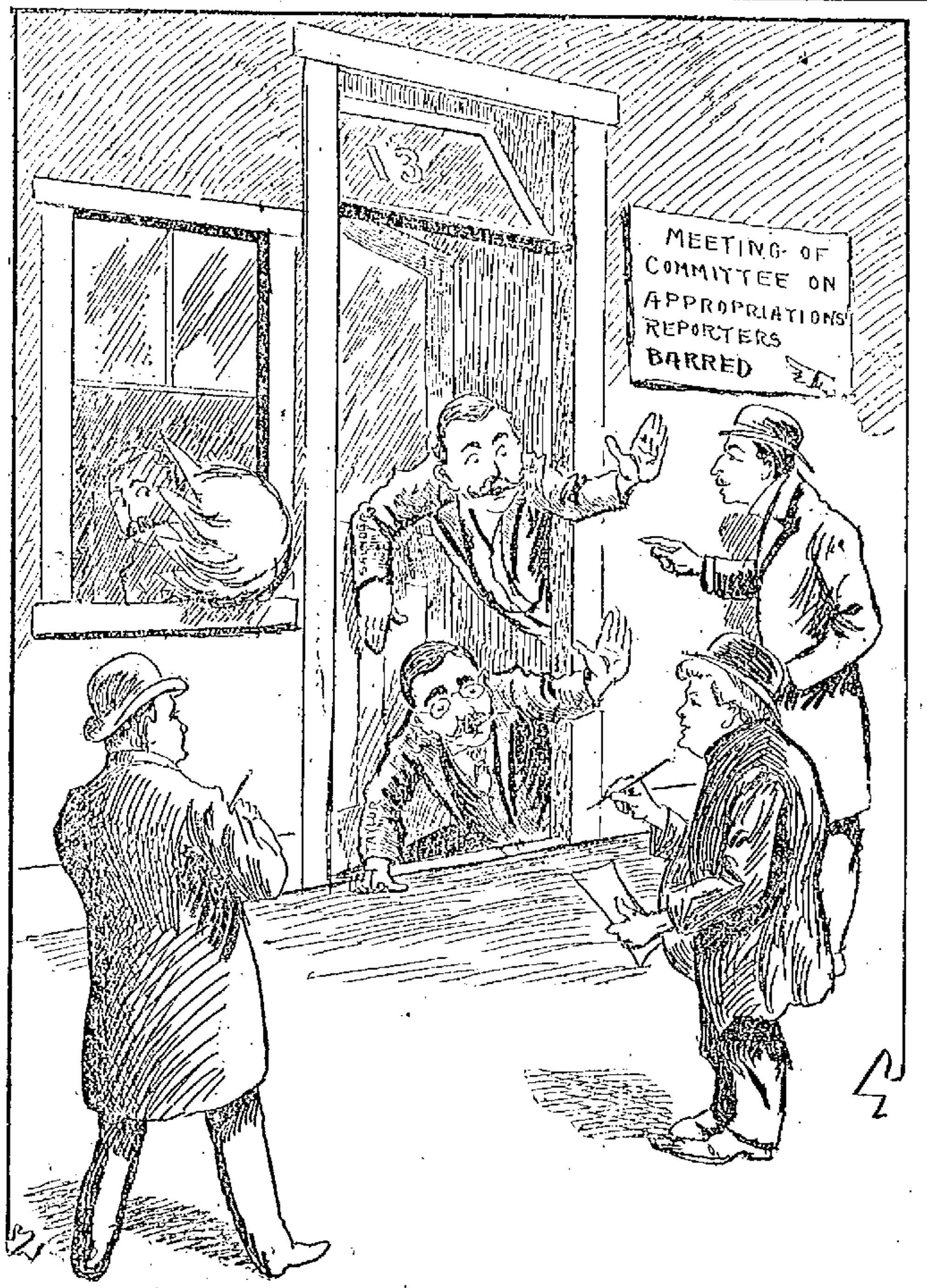
The hardest thing to keep in this world is a diary and a sharp lead pencil.

Many a prosperous man owes his success in life to the advice of his friends which he did not follows.

It depends on the salary a minister draws whether he preaches or officiates.

A man enjoys telling his wife of the girls he made love to in his young days, but let her drop into a reminiscent mood and he immediately proceeds to get mad.

Horses can easily be controlled with an improved bit attachment which comprises two L-shaped levers pivoted on the ends of the bit, with loops for the reins and straps which pass around both jaws a pull on the reins drawing the jaws together to shut off the animal's breathing.



THE ABOVE IS A CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE HOLDING ONE OF ITS FAMOUS STAR CHAMBER SESSIONS.

WITH THE PEPOLE

AGAINST DOG THIEVES.

Editor Sun: I notice that dog thieves are again making themselves conspicuous. If some of the dog owners instead of offering a reward for the return of their lost (?) or stolen dogs would only give a little of their time in hunting down these canine pilferers and see that they are brought to justice as they should be, fewer dogs would be reported as missing from their owners' firesides. There is nothing so contemptible as to steal a dog from a man who has brought the animal up from puppyhood and who treats his dog humanely and between whom strong attachments have been formed. Mr. Editor, you can count on me, one reader of The Sun, who will go out of his way to have a dog thief arrested.

Admirer of Man's Truest Friend.

OVERCROWDED STREET CARS.

Editor Sun: Will you kindly voice the complaint of myself and a number of passengers who ride on the early morning cars on the Chelmsford street route? Instead of running three "jumbo" cars, two small cars and one jumbo are used by the street railway company and the three cars are so crowded that it is with difficulty that the conductor can collect the fares. I and several friends who ride mornings into the city to work over this line have repeatedly failed to secure a seat and have accomplished this feat but once in eight weeks and still we give up our five cents without a murmur. I am not writing this as a "kick" against the railway corporation but simply stating a grievance to which a remedy should be applied at once.

SON OF TOIL.

AIR GUN FIEND.

Editor Sun: I have observed with a great degree of satisfaction the Sun's denouncement of the cigarette habit, and would like to call attention to another nuisance in which the juveniles figure quite prominently. I refer to the boy-with-the-air-gun, who is not content with shooting at cats, dogs and sparrows, but goes about shooting at windows in tenements temporarily unoccupied, breaking glass and in other ways perpetrating malicious mischief with their really dangerous weapons.

The owners of these air guns should have the same restrictions on them as do the owners of weapons in which powder is used.

NUFF CED.

PUBLIC BEQUESTS

IN THE WILL OF HON. OLIVER H. DURRELL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—The will of the late Hon. Oliver H. Durrell of the governor's council was filed for probate at the office of the register at East Cambridge yesterday. It contains $20,000 in public bequests.

The will gives $5000 to the Cambridge Y. M. C. A. in trust, the income to be applied toward the current expenses of the association.

Two thousand dollars is given to the state executive committee of Massachusetts and Rhode Island to be added to their endowment fund.

A similar sum is left to the trustees of the Preachers' Aid society of the New England Methodist Episcopal conference in trust, to apply the income toward the support of worthy and needy preachers.

A thousand dollars is given to Wesleyan academy at Wilbraham in trust to be known as the Durrell scholarship fund, the income to be used for the assitance of deserving students therein.

A like sum is bequeathed to the New Hampshire conference and female academy at Tilton, N. H., in trust, to be known as the Durrell scholarship fund, the income to be used for assisting worthy students therein, upon the condition, however, that at the decease of testator, Rev. Jesse M. Durrell is still president of the academy; otherwise the said $1000 is to be paid to Wesleyan academy.

The Avon home for destitute children in Cambridge receives $1000 to be added to its permanent fund.

To the trustees of Boston university $5000 is given, the income to be used for current expenses of the institution.

The will provides that if the estate falls short of $100,000, not counting the life insurance, all bequests before made not including a bequest to mother of testator, are to be reduced one-half.

No other public bequests are made, the remainder of the document providing for private bequests.

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50TH. ANNIVERSARY

OF WEDDING OF FORMER LOWELL COUPLE OBSERVED IN HAVERHILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Blake, formerly of Lowell, on Wednesday observed their golden wedding at their home in Franklin street, Haverhill. The residence was thronged with visitors, many being from out of town, including Lowell friends. The joyous twain were married in the Eagle hotel, Concord, N. H., by Rev. Mr. Parker, and not one of the guests who attended that ceremony is now living.

Mr. Blake was the youngest of a family of eight children, and but one other, Curtis B. Blake, of Cornish, N. H., is now living. Mrs. Blake was one of nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pearson of Franklin, N. H., and not one survives with her. The young couple first came to this city, where Mr. Blake was engaged in the clothing business for a while, adn then in the coal and wood business, and in 1851 they went to Haverhill, where Mr. Blake has since been engaged in the plastering trade. He has been in the fire department for many years, rising to the rank of assistant chief. The marriage has been blest with three sons, Elmer W., Charles E. and Harry Blake, and one daughter, Charlotte M. Blake, who, with two grandchildren, joined in the festivities of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Russell of Cambridge and Mr. and Mrs. R. Hayden of Worcester also assisted in receiving. The ushers were Dr. George A. Spencer, Dr. John H. Preston, F. Jasper Blake, S. A. Jordan, E. G. Quimby, B. A. Rhodes and Bert Knowles. Mayor Chase, members of the city government and city officials were among the guests, as was Samuel Snow of Boston, president of the Forty-Niners' association, Mr. Blake being an enthusiastic member of that organization.

DICK THOMPSON DEAD

WAS SECRETARY OF THE NAVY UNDER HAYES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 9.—Col. Richard W. Thompson died at 1.10 this morning.

Richard Wiggluson Thompson, secretary of the navy during the administration of Pres. Hayes, was born in Culpepper county, Va., June 9, 1809. He had passed nearly all the years of his life in Terre Haute and was familiarly known as "Uncle Dick."

He had been personally acquainted with every president of the United States, save three, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams. For several years past he had been the only surviving member of the 27th congress.

DEWEY HONORED

With Mrs. Dewey He Attends Banquet

GIVEN BY THE UNION LEAGUE

Of Brooklyn Many Distinguished Guests Present

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Admiral and Mrs. George Dewey were the guests of honor at a dinner given by the officers, directors and former officers of the Union League club in Brooklyn last night.

The admiral and Mrs. Dewey arrived shortly after 6 o'clock, escorted by Wm. E. Pulsifer, president of the club, and half an hour later the guests numbering over 100 sat down to the banquet. The admiral's flag was conspicuous above the centre of the guests' table.

Admiral Dewey was seated at the right and Mrs. Dewey at the left of the president. At the conclusion of the dinner letters of regret were read from Pres. McKinley, Rear Admiral Phillip, Secretary Long, Assistant Secretary Allen and Gov. Roosevelt.

The health of Pres. McKinley was drunk in silence, also that of the admiral and Mrs. Dewey, after which three cheers and a tiger were given for each.

President Pulsifer in a speech which recited the battle and victory at Manila bay, and sounded the praises of Admiral Dewey, presented him a handsome gold medel.

In response to President Pulsifer's presentation address, Admiral Dewey said: "For this beautiful gift I thank you from the bottom of my heart and wish to say that all my friend, Lieut. Rees, wished for me on a former occasion has been fulfilled. I have the wealth of the world," (pointing to Mrs. Dewey.)

Lieut. Commander C. P. Rees then recited an original poem, eulogistic of the admiral.

Each guest was given a handsome souvenir plate which bore a picture of the flagship Olympia with the portrait of the admiral below, with the inscription: "Manila bay, May 1, 1898."

'You may fire, Gridley, when ready."

At the close of these ceremonies, the admiral and Mrs. Dewey were presented to diners individually, and they descended to the lower floor, where a general reception was held by the club members and their friends, for which 2500 invitations had been issued.

Among those at the guests' table were Lieut. Gov. Woodruff, Mrs. Chas. V. Gridley, widow of Capt. Gridley, Col. and Mrs. Wm. Hester and Geo. Goodwin Dewey, son of the admiral.

MILL OFFICIAL

DIED AT WOONSOCKET YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Feb. 9.—William Henry Magee, for eighteen years superintendent of the Berkeley company of Berkeley, R. I., and one of the best known cotton mill superintendents in New England, died at his home here yesterday, aged 60 years. He was unmarried. He was born in Maine, spent his boyhood in western Massachusetts and had been connected with mills in Uxbridge, Newburyport and elsewhere.

N. Y. YACHT CLUB OFFICERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The New York Yacht club held its annual election last night and elected the following officers: Commodore, Lewis Cass Ledyard; vice commodore, August Belmont; rear commodore, C. L. F. Robinson; secretary, J. V. S. Oddie; treasurer, F. W. J. Hurst; measurer, John W. Hyslop; fleet surgeon, Morris J. Asch; regatta committee, Nicholson Lane, Chester Griswold and William Butler Duncan, Jr.

The following committee on racing rules and routine was appointed with instructions to report at the May meeting: Ex-Commodore E. D. Morgan, Capt. M. I. Lippitt and Archibald Rogers. The date of the annual regatta will be decided upon at the meeting of the club, March 22.

The following were elected honorary members: Sir Thomas Lipton, Secretary of War, Elihu Root; Captain Robley D. Evans. Resolutions thanking J. Pierpont Morgan and C. Oliver Iselin for the part they took in the defense of the America's cup were adopted.

MAUDE GONNE'S TOUR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 9.—Miss Maude Gonne, "Ireland's Joan of Arc" addressed an audience at the Hyperion Theatre last evening on the subject of "England's War in the Boer land."

TURKEY SUPPER.

At the Middlesex chapel, Middlesex village last evening was held the annual entertainment and turkey supper under the auspices of the Gentlemen's league society. In the early evening the entertainment presented was a pleasing one There was devotional exercises and song Rev. Mr. Blanchette; reading, Miss Alice Kelley; phonographic selections, by friend; moving pictures closed the entertainment and they were well received.

Following the entertainment supper was provided in charge of John Kelley and he was assisted by Joseph Bowers, Henry Smith, Mr. Leland, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Barton, Mr. Dean, Harry McDonald, Roy Kelley, J. N. Bowers, E. Duran.

MEET TONIGHT.

"Spike" Sullivan and Joe Gans will meet at the Broadway Athletic club in New York tonight for a 25-round glove contest.

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CHELMSFORD CENTRE

AN ENJOYABLE OLD-FASHIONED SPELLING BEE.

The good people of the Central Congregational church, Chelmsford Centre, indulged in an old-fashioned spelling bee last evening and it was a very entertaining affair, as, spelling bees always are. Rev. E. C. Bartlett, the popular pastor, gave out the words and to watch the boys and girls attack the words with an air of confidence only to fail, was one of the amusing features of the contest. It did not make any difference whether you were a graduate of Chelmsford High school or a college, for the words were not picked to suit any of the contestants. Swift retribution was the fate of the too-confident and it did not take long to spell everyone down. Another spelling bee would not be amiss when the weather is fine.

The third organ recital in the Unitarian church, Chelmsford Centre, was held last evening. Mr. Edgar C. Barrell of Lowell was the organist for the occasion and the sweet-toned instrument was heard to great advantage under his skilful touch. A fair number was present. If the weather had not interfered with the program a much larger audience would have been present.

The ladies of Chelmsford Centre will hold a grand whist tournament in the town hall Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock and it promises to be the most delightful card part held this season. All the ladies of the village as well as those residing in adjacent towns are cordially invited. The tickets are only 25 cents.

NORTH CHELMSFORD.

George H. Foren of Concord Junction is spending a few days at the home of his folks.

Charles Jordan, a Lowell boy, employed in Moore's mill has enlisted in the United States marines, through the Lowell agency.

J. C. Pushee, who died recently in Cambridge, was a cousin of Mrs. Fred K. Ripley of North Chelmsford.

SOUTH CHELMSFORD.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met at the vestry Wednesday afternoon upper was provided by Mrs. Charles O. Robbins and Mrs. Orrin Spaulding.

Deacon Fletcher remains about the same.

Mr. George M. Fletcher, who was slowly improving after his long sickness, has not been so well for the past few days.

The fine skating on Hart Pond was enjoyed by the young people who had a merry party there Saturday evening.

Mr. Newell E. Parker is among those on the sick list.

Mr. Edgar R. Parker of Boston was in town over Sunday.

WEST CHELMSFORD.

The B. & S. club of West Chelmsford held its third annual dance in Marshall's hall on ednesday evening. About 75 couples were present. Music was furnished by Flanigan's singing orchestra. There was a cake walk which proved interesting. Frank McGlinchy of West Chelmsford was general manager and Henry Clarke, floor director. Members of the B. & S. club were aids.

LOWELL B. B. A.

The Lowell B. B. A. team one of the leading local teams will play the Maynard Y. M. C. A. team at Maynard on Saturday night and Manager Ralph Cullen says that his boys will return home victorious as they have been playing a better game lately and they are ready to tackle the Burkes again when the latter team desires to meet them.

Mr. John Collins of Concord street and his wife are being congratulated on the arrival of a baby boy at their home.

Joseph Lavery of Butterfield street left Thursday for Hot Springs, Ark., and Denver, Col. Mr. Lavery may locate permanently in Colorado.

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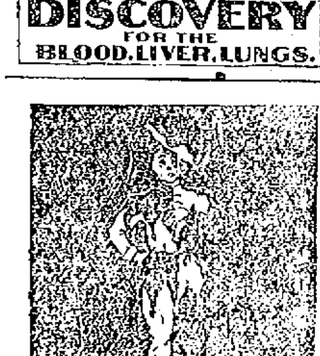

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AGAINST MOLINEUX

Attorney Osborne Makes a Strong Plea for Conviction

He Scathingly Arraigned Lawyer Weeks and Expert Carvalho—Recorder Goff Cautions Counsel Weeke

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Assistant District Attorney Osborne continued his address to the jury in the Molineux case today.

Mr. Osborne spoke of the obligation of a lawyer always defending the client from whom he had accepted a retaining fee.

"And I want to call your attention to the fact that Mr. Weeks, according to his statement, was retained by the defendant's father, a long time before the defendant was ever suspected of having committed the crime."

Mr. Osborne called the jury's attention to the fact that "when the principal witness, Harry Cornish, the man to whom the poison was sent and whose life-long friend was killed by it, was on the stand, there was not one word uttered by him in regard to the man who might have a motive.

"He did not know," said Mr. Osborne "because the man who had this slow burning hatred against him never talked to him about it. He talked to others and it would have been only hearsay evidence."

"This defendant did not go to Cornish," went on Mr. Osborne, "but he went behind his back."

"Why did Detective McCafferty take false specimens of handwriting for Mr. Kinsley? Great God, do I have to answer that question asked by Mr. Weeks of a jury of 12 intelligent men? It was done because one of the greatest crimes of the century had been committed and we wanted to know if this man Kinsley knew his business. And I want to tell you that I put into evidence in this case some specimens of Cornish's handwriting against Mr. Weeks' objections. Mr. Carvalho was not put on the stand because he would have sworn that Molineux did not write the poison package address nor any of the bogus Cornish and Barnet letters."

Then ensued a scathing arraignment of both Mr. Carvalho and Mr. Weeks by the assistant district attorney.

"I tell you, Mr. Weeks," he fairly shouted "that it does not do for a man to leave the advocacy of the truth for the advocacy of false theories. The Anglo-Saxon mind was not made for that. Your mind was meant to search for the truth, not to advocate false theories."

While Mr. Osborne was speaking of some of the reasons why Carvalho was not called, Mr. Weeks asked: "Why did you not call him?"

"Why not I?" queried Mr. Osborne. "Why, what do you take this to be, a farce?"

"If Mr. Carvalho's testimony would have been of any aid to this defendant, Mr. Weeks violated his oath when he did not call him. And God knows Mr. Weeks is the last man to violate his oath to his client."

"I object to these statements," remarked Mr. Weeks.

The recorder leaned forward in his chair and said: "Do you desire to put an argument, Mr. Weeks? This is the fifth time you have interrupted the proceedings this morning."

Later, however, an objection by Mr. Weeks to remarks of a similar character made by Mr. Osborne, was sustained.

Mr. Osborne turned to General Molineux and in a brief eulogy, paid him a splendid tribute upon his record as a soldier and as a member of society.

Mr. Osborne passed on to the matter of handwriting testimony, in which connection he said the arrest of the defendant was due to Expert Hay of Washington, who called Mr. Kinsley's attention to the fact that the word "City" on the poison package address was an exact reproduction of the same word in one of Molineux's admitted letters.

"Mr. Weeks knows Cornish is not guilty. He knew it yesterday when he cast insinuation against him. He has frequently endeavored to deceive this jury when he made the assertions yesterday.

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"There is such a thing as reputation in this life that is dearer than life itself. There is such a thing as honor. And yet this defendant was given an opportunity by his counsel to have his innocence proven. If Mr. Weeks can have him acquitted of the charge, that is all he wants."

THE NAVAL BILL

Was Read in the Reichstag Today

ADMIRAL TIRPITZ INTRODUCED THE BILL

Necessity of German Fleet Recognized

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The first reading of the naval bill took place in the Reichstag today. The secretary of the admiralty, Admiral Tirpitz and secretary of the interior, Count Von Posadowsky-Wehner, and the secretary of the treasury, Baron Von Thielman, were present.

A photographic apparatus was conspicuous in the gallery for the purpose of reproducing the historic scene.

Admiral Tirpitz, in introducing the bill said the historical events of the last two years had spoken in such clear language that the necessity of a strong fleet for Germany has been recognized in ever widening circles in the country. Those in favor of a great navy and those opposed to it differed essentially in regard to the scope, date and period of carrying into effect the form in which the question should be dealt with. But the reasons for increasing the navy could be summed up in a few words. The discrepancy between Germany's naval power and that of other countries was so great that the Federal government saw therein a distinct danger if allowed to continue. Indeed the danger appeared all the greater as the commercial competition of the world according to all calculations would become more severe during the next decade. Any one desiring to examine the question of the navy must clearly understand that it is impossible to improvise navies. On the contrary, many years are required for their establishment. Least of all is it possible to improvise navies in the hour of danger. With this fact, he added, Germany will have to reckon.

The creation of navies, the secretary of the admiralty continued, not only presents difficulties of a financial order, but above all, is a question of material. When a clear idea has been formed regarding the increase of the fleet itself, the next question will be how should it be affected? He recently had the opportunity to point out to the house that Germany cannot know what adversaries she may some day have to deal with and it was therefore necessary to adopt the principle of providing for the most dangerous opponent. To make an attempt to provide for every possible contingency would lead to an ineffectual decision of great. As far as one could see, it would be incompatible with the financial possibilities. The most dangerous war for Germany to be in would be one in which her army could not be used at the outbreak. In such a war Germany would require solely a strong fleet.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

JOHN E. VINING DESPONDENT OVER LONG SICKNESS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 8.—Because of despondency, the result of a long sickness, John E. Vining, residing at 24 Brook street, committed suicide yesterday by drinking laudanum. He leaves a widow and one child. The remains are to forwarded to Lowell for burial. Coroner H. D. Lord decided that suicide was apparent and an inquest unnecessary.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ESCANABA, Mich., Feb. 8.—The National Cooperage and Woodenware company's plant was totally destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at $250,000.

A SERIOUS BLAZE

Dartmouth Students Lose Some of Their Property

ONE STUDENT WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED

The Loss Will be About $36,000

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 8. The most serious fire that has occurred in Hanover since the conflagration which wiped out the business section thirteen years ago broke out in the elegant Davison block at Golden corner, near Dartmouth college at an early hour this morning and destroyed the structure, causing a total loss of $36,000. Many Dartmouth students who occupied rooms in the building, lost their belongings and one of them, H. E. Kelnar, Newark, N. J., a member of the freshman class, were severely injured by coming in contact with electric light wires.

The fire started at 12.30 o'clock between the second and third floors, presumably from defective wires, and when discovered by a number of students it had worked upward through the partitions and was rapidly extending to all parts of the interior. As the fire alarm was disabled there was considerable delay in sounding the alarm. Several students rang the college bell and finally the fire apparatus of the town reached the scene. So rapid was the spread of the fire that many of the students had barely time to gather their clothing before the floors began to give way. H. E. Kelner who touched a live wire, was overcome by the current and was picked up insensible. He was rescued by several students who also were slightly shocked by the wire.

The entire block was burned and it was only by the most difficult kind of work that nearby buildings were saved, conspicuous among the fire fighters were the Redlingtons, twin brothers, of Chicago and several of the football players.

The building was occupied on the ground floor by Davison & Ward, general store. The loss on their stock is $1000. L. K. Mead, druggist, had apartments on the second floor and his loss is about $600. The Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity had elegant rooms which occupied the remainder of the second floor. The furnishings were consumed together with the oldest fraternity library at Dartmouth, which numbered among its contents manuscripts and books valued at $1000.

The third floor was occupied by students. It is estimated that the boys lost from $1200 to $1500 worth of effects.

The Davison block was built in 1892 at a cost of $65,000. It has been owned for the past thirteen years by F. W. Davison, president of the Dartmouth savings bank. The loss on the block is $35,000 and the insurance amounts to $10,000.

MINORITY REPORT

ON THE PUERTO RICO TARIFF BY DEMOCRATS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The minority report on the Puerto Rican tariff by the democrats is signed by all the democratic members of the ways and means committee and by Representative Newlands, the silver member of that committee. It says in part:

"The undersigned members of the committee are unable to agree with the conclusions of the committee in respect to the bill reported to regulate the trade with Puerto Rico and other purposes and respectfully submit our views as follows:

The bill raises two questions which might be considered and determined:

1. The right or power under our written constitution to enact the measure.

2. Whether if we have the power, should congress exercise it in the manner provided in the bill.

The bill is framed on the idea and the assumption that congress enters upon the government of Puerto Rico unrestrained by the provisions of the constitution."

The report then takes up the constitutional provision that all duties, etc., shall be "uniform throughout the United States" and presents the law decisions that the term "United States" has universal application to territory held. The branch of the subject has previously been covered in a special report. Proceeding, the report says:

"If the position taken by the majority of the committee in recommending the passage of the bill be the correct one and congress has the power to govern territory of the United States independent of the limitations of the constitution, it must follow that congress is not restrained by that instrument from passing laws imposing customs duties on the minerals and ores of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, the furs and fish of Alaska, the lumber of Oklahoma and of all other products of these territories when imported into any of the states of the Union and also the importations of products of every kind into the territories from the states or any one of them. The power to pass such laws was never beforeb zbazo our land.

"It is wholly inconsistent with the theory and form of government. The exercise of such power is pure and simple imperialism and against which we enter our most solemn protest. We never have held and cannot hold territory as political dependency and subject to unequal taxation. Our union is one of the states with a common interest and a common destiny. The blessings of a free government rest alike upon all of our people whether in the 13 original states, or in the youngest member of the union, or in the newest acquired territory. It does not matter in which form territory is acquired, it is to be held under our constitution with the object of finally being admitted into the union as a state. In support of this doctrine the decisions of the supreme court are uniform and in harmony with the doctrine herein enunciated.

"Why was it the people of that island so gladly welcomed Gen. Miles and the armies of the United States in July, 1898, when they invaded their territory and struck down the power of Spain? Was it not because they believed that as the shackles of Spain were stricken from them, they were to be admitted to the immunities and blessings of our liberal institutions, as well as our enlightened civilization. We were told our soldiers were hailed as redeemers."

After calling attention to the president's recent recommendation for the abolition of all customs duties between Puerto Rico and the United States and the report of the secretary of war to the same effect, the report concludes as follows:

"We do not know why these sudden changes have occurred. We cannot believe that the president has been converted from the opinion he so lately expressed or that he now admits the unwisdom of the solemn advice he so recently gave congress. We are not advised that his opinion was hastily formed and that he has not maturely considered the subject upon which he was advising us.

"We do not believe the people of this land, ardently attached as they are, to our free institutions, can be brought to favor a policy which oppresses the inhabitants of territory owned by the United States anywhere, and over which the flag of the republic floats, even if such a policy should serve in a degree to enrich some citizens of the Union. We protest earnestly against the adoption of a rubber policy, which makes this republic take the place of the ruthless monarchy, Spain, in despoiling Puerto Rico, now a portion of the United States.

"We recommend that the pending bill do not pass."

JAMES D. RICHARDSON,
S. M. ROBERTSON,
CLAUDE A. SAWNSON,
GEORGE E. McCLELLAN,
FRANCIS G. NEWLANDS,
S. B. COOPER.

MILL OFFICIAL IN COURT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FALL RIVER, Feb. 8.—The officials of the Hargrave mills were summoned into the local police court this morning the employment of women and minors 58 hours per week. The point at issue is said to be that the mill employed in its night force an operative who worked elsewhere during the day though the complaint was not read in court. Lawyer Milton Reed asked for time in which to study the case and the case was postponed for one week.

WILL POST $1000.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 8.—The managers of the National Athletic club, which, according to advices from the prize fight, state that they will at once put up the $1000 for felt. The place for holding the fight has not been decided upon, but the prices of admission will range from $2 to $10.

MILLER CAUGHT

Franklin Syndicate Man Arrested in Canada

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—William F. Miller, the absconding head of the Franklin Syndicate, Brooklyn, was brought to police headquarters in this city today by former Captain of Detectives Reynolds of Brooklyn. Miller was arrested in Canada.

BIBLE LECTURES.

The Christadelphians have arranged an interesting course of Bible lectures to be given in Engineers' hall, Wyman's exchange by Mr. Thomas Williams, editor of the Christadelphian Advocate, Chicago.

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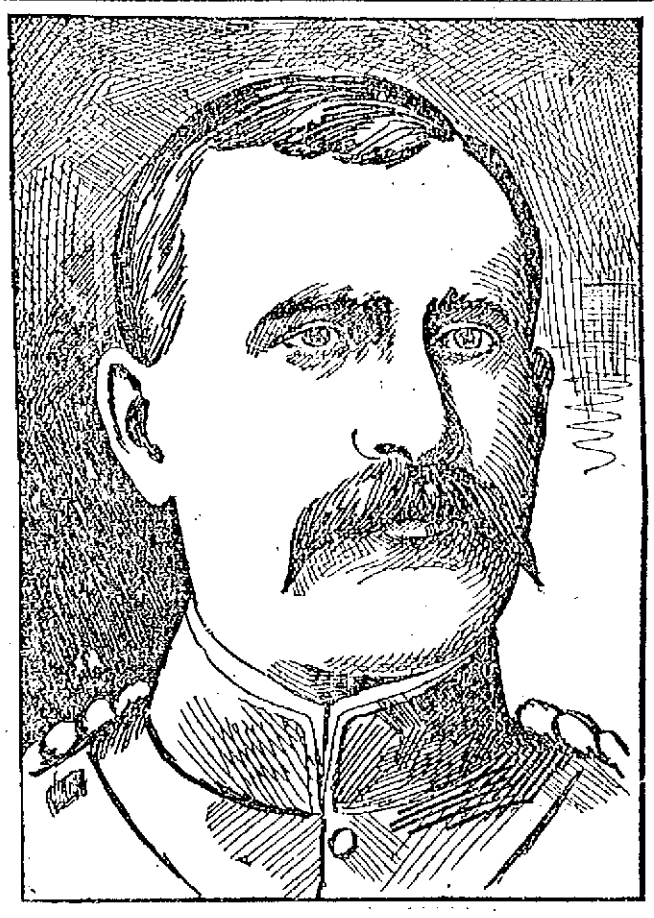

BRIG. GEN. HECTOR McDONALD, WHO IS ON THE RIGHT OF THE BOERS AT MAGERSFONTEIN.

BILLERICA CENTRE

MR. SIDNEY BULL SPEAKS INTERESTINGLY OF HIS SOUTHERN TRIP.

Mr. Sidney Bull and son Leslie returned home from a pleasure tour in the south yesterday noon. They left Billerica Jan. 15 and proceeded to Washington, D. C., where they stayed one week. From there they went to Richmond, Va., thence to Charleston, S. C., and from there through Savannah Ga., to Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. Bull describes his journey in Florida as follows: "I took the boat on the Ocklawaha river and on my journey I saw many alligators, one of which was 14 feet in length. At Silver Springs, the source of the Ocklawaha river we anchored our boat in the small harbor. At the source of the river it is 82 feet deep and I could see the pebbles on the bottom. I was mystified where the water flowed from but I learned that it was a mystery. I was 250 miles south of the Florida line and did not see an orange tree, only the shoots of the trees which were frozen in the winter of '94-95. Thursday morning, Feb. 1, there was an eighth of an inch of ice on the mud puddles on the streets in Jacksonville, Fla. My son and I also visited St. Augustine and Fort Marion. In the former place we were allowed a privilege seldom granted to people, to visit the cabins used by the Spanish in 1585."

Mr. Bull has brought home two live alligators which are about six inches in length. He has also brought two canes, one of which is polished orange wood, carved by natives, besides silver souvenirs. Mr. Bull and son enjoyed the trip immensely.

There will be a social guild in the Unitarian church Friday night. The committee in charge are Miss Carrie Knowles and Mr. Earl C. Davis. The chaperons will be Mrs. John Richardson, Miss Lucy Foster, Miss Annie Dodge and Miss Lucia Hutchins.

Following is a very sensible and pertinent communication from a resident of Billerica Centre:

Billerica Centre, Feb. 7, 1900.

Mr. Editor: The citizens of Billerica Centre have presented a very lengthy petition, signed by five hundred of its prominent citizens, to the Lowell and Suburban street railway company for a reduction from a ten cent to a five cent fare. Their grievances cause more discussion in this town than the Boer war. They claim that many of their number are forced to walk a distance of two miles and then to wait in all kinds of weather for late cars, in order to reach Lowell for five cents. Then the registers do not show the directors that they represent the Centre patrons. A family of five who travel daily are about to leave town on this account.

Their neighbors in all the other suburbs are not asked to pay ten cents, five cents down and the other five when half the trip is made. Many prefer to drive to Lowell rather than pay twenty cents for the trip for each member of the family. Those who work in Lowell and travel daily pay five dollars more every three months than the Boston and Maine railroad charges for the same distance. Every one from the Centre working in Lowell and traveling daily for the last five years, has paid into the company three hundred and twelve dollars out of his earnings.

After all, is it any wonder that the authorities of the town are more interested in the five cent fare than a war in Africa?

WILLIAM RICA.

LOWELL HORSEMAN

AND SOME OF THE FAST STEPPERS HANDLED BY HIM.

Jack Carney, the well known horse handler and driver, of this city, who has been recently employed in Manchester, is now in the employ of ex-Mayor James W. Bennett and is getting into shape the well known fast chestnut colt "Muckle McGregor," by Hood's "McGregor."

"Jack," as Mr. Carney is familiarly called, has had excellent good luck with horses since he first started in, some fifteen years ago, with Frank Harris, now proprietor of Waumbaneit Park, North Chelmsford.

After leaving the employ of the latter, Mr. Carney then engaged with the veteran Jake Stone, the well known Granite State horseman. After remaining with the latter gentleman six years Mr. Carney started in business for himself with good success. It might be here stated that during his engagement with Mr. Stone the Lowell man had charge of such fast steppers as Sylvester K., Johnnie Knott and Hi Wilkes. In the year 1893, Mr. Stone as driver and Mr. Carney as handler, with this trio of "flyers" won first money 28 times on New England tracks.

Before coming to Lowell recently, Mr. Carney had charge of the fast steppers at Manchester belonging to P. Harrington. With Bordeaux he started in eleven races, winning nine first, one second and one third money prizes. He gave this horse a mark of 2.15.

Elec-Brino started four times by Mr. Carney and finished twice with first money, once with second and once with third money and received a mark of 2.24 1-2.

Mr. Carney also had great success with Daisy Mack, 2.23 1-2; Capt. Cressey, 2.26 1-2; and Young Nelson, 2.29 1-2.

When John Monlton was suspended last season Mr. Carney took the former's string of horses and won a position in every race in which he started. It is among the possibilities that Mr. Carney will be seen in charge of the stables at North Chelmsford track at least his friends hint it for "Jack" is a hustler from the word "go."

CONFERENCE HELD

BETWEEN MR. WHITE AND COMMITTEE OF STRIKERS.

A meeting was held at the American house yesterday, of Mr. White, representing the American Hide and Leather company and the committee representing the strikers. A member of the state board of arbitration was present. Satisfactory progress was reported and an adjournment taken till next week.

MUSICALE AND SOCIAL.

A very enjoyable musicale and social was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Work, No. 1 Carpet Corporation. A pleasing program given during the evening included mandolin selections by Dr. Snyder, mandolin and guitar trios by the Misses Whitcomb and phonograph selections by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Whittimore. At the conclusion of the program a dainty repast was served, Mrs. G. Bell and Miss C. Worden pouring. After this the evening was spent informally, the festivities continuing to a late hour. Among those present were Overseer Scott M. Bickford and wife, Overseer Edwin S. Eastman and wife, Thomas Collins, superintendent of the Brussels department of the Lowell Manufacturing company, Francis Day of Chelmsford, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parsons of Tewksbury, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Foster, Miss Rose Slye, Mr. and Mrs. John Morse, Carlos Hubbard and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Snyder, Miss Bertha Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McPhail.

LARGELY ATTENDED SOCIABLE.

The sociable by the Charitable Association of the Highland Congregational church, last evening, was largely attended notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. Supper was served in the vestry during the first part of the evening, after which a general social time was enjoyed with music and games, to a seasonable hour.

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SMOKE TALK.

A pleasant entertainment and smoke talk was held by the Elmira Associates last evening at their rooms in the National Bank building, Central street. The entertainment consisted of: Songs, James Carey; duet, James Lafer and Francis Roman; recitations, Thomas Halligan; solos, Henry Carr; buck and wing dance, Jeremiah Mack.

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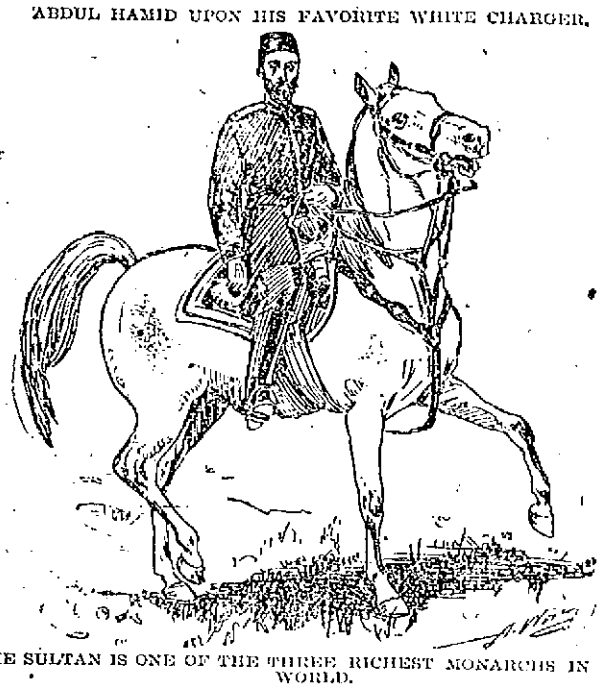

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DOES IT PAY TO BE A KING.

The Salaries Received by Rulers and the Amounts They are Able to Save from the Income of a Kingly Crown.

Does it pay to be a king?

This question, very often asked and as seldom answered, is one that interests the whole world. There are those who think that besides the honor of it, there is no emolument associated with the responsibility of ruling a great government. But the computed private fortunes of the world's greatest sovereigns, especially those of Europe, show that though uneasy may lie a kingly head, the state of unrest is so grandly remunerative that it would allow a most comfortable subsistence should the reposer be suddenly relieved of his sovereignty and compelled to live in retirement.

While it is considered the worst of form in court circles to discuss the private wealth of kings and queens, it is a well-known fact that their finances are gossiped about, and so loudly, too, that information regarding the pecuniary standing of monarchs escapes to the curious world without. For instance, everyone knows that Queen Victoria is the richest sovereign in Europe, if not in the world.

Here is an estimate of her private possessions:

- Annual income from nation, $1,925,000.
- Revenues from Duchy of Lancaster, $300,000.
- Estates in Ireland, Scotland, France, Italy and Wales.
- The famous Koh-i-noor diamond worth $3,000,000.
- Money invested to the amount of $50,000,000.

Yet, in spite of these figures, there are those who claim that the sum of Her Majesty's fortune when made known definitely will be comparatively small. They argue that Victoria is one of the most sympathetic and generous sovereigns in Europe, adding that her money is eaten up by pet charities, private salaries and pensions; and then there is the mise en scene of royalty to be kept up which requires an enormous amount of money. Her Majesty's wealth consists principally of jewels and cash; for since she relinquished her claim to many of the land properties of the crown in return for the $150,000 civil list allowance, years ago, her riches are exceeded in real estate possessions by those of the Czar of Russia.

But even these vast landed riches do not place Nicholas II. next on the list of millionaires on thrones. This enviable position is reserved, strange as it may seem, for Abdul Hamid, the Sultan of European Turkey, who manages to get away with $5,000,000 yearly in the maintenance of his harem and the provision of other luxuries. But if Abdul Hamid's subjects were to rise in revolt and dethrone him these are some of the possessions which he would have to fall back on:

- A private fortune of $12,000,000.
- What he is able to "knock down" from a civil list of $4,000,000.
- Investments in other countries yielding an annual income of $1,500,000.
- A jewel-embroidered wardrobe worth $3,000,000.
- Rings and other ornaments computed to have cost $1,500,000.

But it must not be thought for a moment that the Sultan is satisfied with these riches. Far to the contrary, he longs to be known as the wealthiest man in all the world, and is constantly reaching out for additional wealth, while enjoying every luxury that money can procure. The magnificence of the Sultan's wardrobe is proverbial, and a set of diamond buttons for one of his court robes is only one of a large number of recent extravagances.

Of the sums which are hidden away in the coffers of Czar Nicholas II., little is known. He, however, owns vast lands in Siberia and the following record of a portion of his wealth shows that there would still be enough to support Her Majesty the Czarina and the little Grandduchesses should her royal spouse some morning awake and find himself suddenly dethroned and compelled to seek his own livelihood in a less austere manner:

- A million square miles of cultivated Russian lands.
- Gold and other mines in Siberia.
- Largest cream-colored horses in the world.
- Revenues from real estate to the amount of $15,000,000 a year.
- Savings from a $5,000,000 civil list.

A sparkling addition to this list is the Orloff, one of the diamond wonders of the world. This remarkable gem weighs one hundred and ninety-four and a quarter carats, and is set in the sceptre of His Majesty. The Orloff was purchased in the year 1774 by the Armenian Schaffras, who sold it to Catherine II. of Russia for half a million roubles, a pension of twenty thousand roubles and a patent of nobility. The Shah, another diamond which is a perfect mass of fire and brilliancy, is also contained in His Majesty's jewel casket. These two gems alone would bring a fortune if put on sale.

Many handsome jewels, fine lands and the most magnificent collection of photographs in the world belong to the Belgian monarch, but his reverses have been so many that it is difficult to tell how much of his once imperial fortune remains.

William II., the versatile Emperor of Germany, has a stock of this world's goods that contrasts strikingly with that of his neighbor sovereign, Leopold. His dual office of Emperor of Germany and King of Prussia makes him rich beyond all dreams of avarice. These are only a few of the resources upon which he could draw were he to become simply a prince with no other office than that to which a royal birth naturally admits him:

- Four great palaces and fifty lesser ones and castles.
- Savings from an annual civil list of $3,853,000.
- Private income of $9,000,000 a year.
- Jewels whose sale would bring at least $2,500,000.

Added to these riches, which are sufficient to satisfy a man of most Croesuean desires is the royal crown treasure of $300,000,000, founded by Frederick William III., comprising the domains of Flatow, Krojanke and Frandenforf; the Fredelkommiss of Prince Carl and the House of Fredelkommiss of the Hohenzollerns.

The Empress, too, has a snug little fortune that figures into seven numbers, to which she has added constantly from the liberal allowances made her by her royal husband.

The private fortune of Franz Josef has been recorded in such a contradictory manner, and there are so few people who have an insight into the sovereign's finances that it is impossible to give an exact idea of his possessions. These, however, are known to be his personal property:

- An income of $1,000,000 yearly from private sources.
- Profits from civil list of $1,500,000.
- Jewels left by the late Empress worth $3,000,000.
- Also enormous cash deposits in the Bank of England.

Emperor Franz Josef came into possession of a great deal of the wealth left by his wife, the late Empress Elizabeth, which included valuable real estate. Her Majesty's Vienness possessions were famous the world over. The palace at Corfu, recently sold, was worth a fabulous sum, and its furnishings alone cost something over a million.

Though King Christian of Denmark was a poor man when he ascended the throne, he is now numbered with the richest of the world's sovereigns. Much of his wealth has been brought into the family by advantageous marriages, notably that of his son to Louise of Sweden. But through his own thriftiness, King Christian has accumulated a goodly store of this world's goods.

The unique and charming spectacle which the assembly of King Christian's court presents during the summer months at his country seat is known wherever court news is circulated. This is one of the finest old castles in Europe, and would alone support His Majesty in regal style were he deprived of his throne and its emoluments. Fredenberg is situated on the Lake Esrom and is surrounded by a magnificent park, combining forest glades with cultivated loveliness in a manner too artistic to describe.

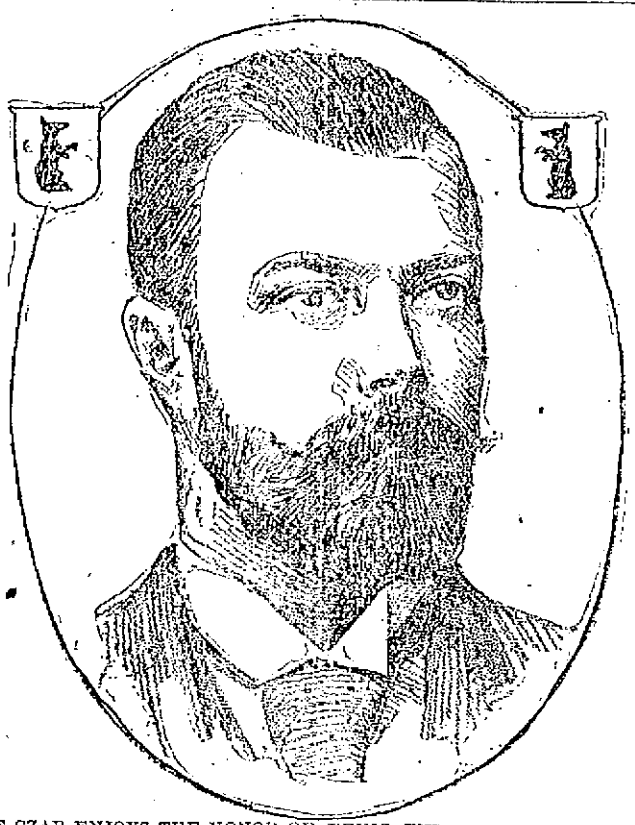
King Oscar of Sweden, who loves the good things of life, has but a small civil list with which to produce them. His private fortune, however, includes many valuable lands and the savings of the labors of nearly thirty years, which ought to be a goodly sum. They include:

- Several charming country palaces throughout Norway and Sweden.
- A private yacht which would easily bring half a million.
- Money invested which yields $2,000,000 yearly.
- And the customary civil list gains of over $500,000.

His Majesty has an immensely wealthy relative in his brother Carl XV., but the most of the latter's fortune he bequeathed to his daughter Louise upon her marriage with the Crown Prince of Denmark; so it is not at all certain that any of this wealth will revert to her uncle, though the Princess is very fond of her "Uncle Oscar."

The large lucrative estates of Queen Wilhelmina made her a very rich young woman, and to these revenues she adds the savings from a civil list of $[illegible] allowed her by the good old Netherlanders. Her castle at Loo is the most beautiful and highest valued of her landed possessions.

One king may complain to another of the parsimony of his subjects in the matter of royal grants, but if the sums which are hidden away in royal coffers could be glanced at by the world at large, it would be found that there is not a ruler in Europe but who has saved enough from his or her earnings to keep away the wolf from the door should by any mishap their throne and sovereignty be confiscated.



THE CZAR ENJOYS THE HONOR OF BEING THE RICHEST MAN IN THE WORLD FOR HIS AGE.

GREAT PAINTER TALKS OF HIS SMALL MODELS.

He Says There is a Trick in Catching the Look of Innocence Upon a Child's Face.

"There is but one universal characteristic of children," said Boutet de Monvel, the great French child painter, "and that is innocence."

M. de Monvel has lately come from Paris to make a study of American children. He probably knows more about children than any other man in the world. He has studied them all his life, and painted pictures of them, from the baby royal to the little peasant children of the vineyards and the urchins of the city streets.

"If you were a painter," continued M. de Monvel, "always watching out for new types and ideals, you would realize how great is the field of children."

"But how can there be more types of children than of others? Are we not all children grown old?"

"That's just the trouble," replied M. de Monvel, "and we outgrow the type nature, we all follow the same fashions, in dress, manners, conversation, deportment. We aim to be self-controlled. We are a good deal like everyone else, at least outwardly.

"Children, however know no self-control. They recognize no fashions, either in dress or mannerism. They are themselves; they are natural; they are adorable. They say what they think, and often they think wise things. Fortunately, they don't know it. It would spoil them.

"It is knowledge that spoils us all, and robs us of individuality, for we all learn the same things. We are like sets of encyclopaedia, with variations in the binding.

THEY OBEY INSTINCT.

"Then, children do whatever natural instinct prompts. They are not guided nor limited by conventionality, for they don't know what conventionality is. That also is fortunate, for the painter as well as the children. It enlarges the field; it suggests new subjects. The innocent, artless, natural things that children do create thousands of new impressions, and it is from impressions that the artist works."

"But you are a portrait artist."

"It is the same. Do you think I would have my children sit in a stiff-backed chair or stand upon a pedestal while I paint them? Oh, no. I paint not from their figures but from the impressions they create. I ask them not to stand and look at me, but to visit with me and be natural and forget I am to put them on canvas.

"They come into my rooms and look about. Some of them like the flowers or the pictures or the knick-knacks or the toys. They are not quiet long; it is a matter of but five or ten minutes before they show their natural tendencies. Some may be mischievous, others sad; some may be fretful and nervous, others careless and gay. Their temperaments soon create an impression upon me. It is from the impression I work. Look at this."

M. de Monvel moved toward an easel at the end of the room, one of the long, high-ceiled chambers at the top of a fashionable New York apartment house, which the famous painter of children has transformed into a bower of beauty by his artistic touches.

There are soft draperies and easy chairs, divans and rare ornaments; but these are lost in the general impression which is a medley of flowers and painted children's faces of every nationality, every class, every degree of beauty, and in the midst of it all, towering above it all, like a huge sketch in black and white, Boutet de Monvel himself, who wins the hearts of children as if by magic and loves them in return.

PORTRAIT OF BLAINE'S GRANDSON.

M. de Monvel lifted the covering from the easel to which he had called my attention. The painting was a water color of the grandson of James G. Blaine. The tints were so soft and harmonious as to be soothing; the boy looked as if he were about to speak.

"Now, can you note any difference between that painting and a photograph?" asked the artist, standing back and viewing his work in true artistic pose.

Yes, there certainly was a difference, apparent to the most untutored eye. More marked than the beauty of coloring was a certain realness that seemed to give insight into the character of the boy.

"It is because I work from the impression and not the figure. When I had discovered the little fellow's nature, which is a delicate, sensitive one, I had the material for my painting, and his temperament dominated me at all times while I worked on his picture.

"How did I come to paint children? Well," said M. de Monvel, as we sat down to the perusal of some of his recent work, "it happened that the children liked me, and I got along nicely with them; I don't know why."

Perhaps if M. de Monvel could see the kindliness in his brown eyes as other people see it, he might understand the reason for his success.

"I never found them troublesome," he continued, "and I believe that is the reason many artists have for not wishing to undertake children; they are too difficult to pose. But as I never pose them, I am not confronted with that difficulty."

"The children I know and understand. They are like open books that I can read or babbling brooks with no bridges to hide their surface, and clear water that lets me look down to the river bed.

"But the ladies!" he ejaculated with a sigh; "they are a great study for one little lifetime; the children are much simpler, the results are quicker."

"And where are they most interesting and pretty, these child pets of yours?"

"Interesting and pretty?" repeated M. de Monvel. "You don't make the one dependent upon the other, do you? For, you know, the most interesting children are not the pretty ones. Beauty, as the term is usually accepted, means regularity of features, and that suggests evenness of temperament and an average character. It is the homely little children who interest me, if any of them may be called so, with the light of innocence suffusing their faces.

"The homely ones are easier to paint. You did not think that? But it is true, quite true. The little irregularities are a pleasure to paint; they are a novelty, and the individuality of the face consists in those differences.

"But the people with regular features, their individuality consists more in expression and coloring, and the indefinable something which is finesse, and that is not so simple to reproduce on canvas.

"Look at this dear little face."

M. de Monvel picked up a pencil sketch of the homeliest child I had ever seen.

"Isn't that delicious? There isn't a good feature in it; the eyes are small, mouth large, nose tip tilted, hair tawny and straight, yet she's one of the dearest little creatures I've found since I came to America. It took about seven lines to draw her whole irregular little face and produce her impulsive, irregular character. She resembles somewhat the French children.

FRENCH AND YANKEE CHILDHOOD.

"The difference? Well, it's hard to define it. The French children are sweet and shy and impulsive, though they seem by nature to have their impulses under restraint. The children of America are almost invariably pretty of features but they seem wilful; they are spoiled, I think. They are encouraged to have decided opinions of their own, and they have a way of pushing them to a conclusion which could be no more positive if they were in the prime of life.

"The children here are also very self-contained, while in France they are almost invariably diffident. It is noticeable, even to the street gamins. The children of the Paris streets are not nearly so venturesome as those of New York.

"There is an interesting group that is thoroughly typical."

M. de Monvel held toward the light a beautiful water color of five French peasant children, at play in a meadow.

"Does it tell you anything?" asked the artist, anxiously.

"It tells me they are shy," I responded, for there was an air of diffidence manifest even in the set of the short-waisted frocks and the chin strings of the peasant bonnets.

"There is a good illustration of a type that perishes with its teens," said the artist; "there are no children in the world so full of refreshing sweetness as the peasant children of France; but it is annihilated by toil and the lapse of years, and those," concluded M. de Monvel, "are two of the cruelest masters in the world; they annihilate everything.

"If I could follow my own bent I would make just one picture a year, and it would be such a picture as I would wish to live! I would not be the one selected to paint certain models, but I would select my own subject, lay own model, put into it my own inspiration; and then work; how I would work for its perfection! But that, I suppose, is the dream of all artists.

"We would live to paint, but we must paint to live. Bread and butter is an inartistic motive, it is prosaic, but"—a very French shrug for emphasis—"it is essential."

The two great battles of the age in point of loss are Waterloo and Gettysburg, and between them there is a remarkable similarity both in numbers engaged and extent of casualties. At Waterloo the French numbered 80,000 men and 252 guns; the Allies numbered 72,000 men and 186 guns. At Gettysburg the Union army numbered 82,000 men and 300 guns; the Confederates 70,000 men and 250 guns. At Waterloo Wellington's army lost 23,185, or 32 per cent.; at Gettysburg Meade's army lost 23,003, or 28 per cent.

In the Crimean war the British loss in killed and wounded in the battle of the Alma was 2,012 out of a total force engaged of 21,500, the percentage being 9, and they lost 2,257 men out of 7,464 engaged at the battle of Inkermann, or a percentage of 31.

During the great Civil war, from 1861 to 1865, there were enlisted in the Union army over 2,250,000 men, and there were killed in action 4,142 officers and 62,916 enlisted men (total 67,058); died of wounds received in action, 2,223 officers and 40,789 enlisted men (total 43,012); died of disease, 2,795 officers and 221,791 enlisted men (total 224,586).

In the present war in South Africa the British loss has been great in killed, wounded and prisoners.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

In a campaign much depends upon keeping open the lines of communication over which these most necessary supplies for every army, food and ammunition, must be transported. During the great Civil war some of the principal lines of communication were the following:

Louisville to Chattanooga via Nashville, 210 miles; Chattanooga to Atlanta, 149 miles; average distance traversed in manoeuvring from Chattanooga to Atlanta, 178 miles; Atlanta to Savannah, 287 miles; Savannah to Goldsboro, 420 miles; Washington to Richmond, 116 miles.

In South Africa at the present time the important British lines of communication are: For Lord Methuen's column, from Cape Town to De Aar Junction, upward of 500 miles; for Gen. French's command, Port Elizabeth to Colesberg, 270 miles; for Gen. Gatacre's command, East London to Orange River, 225 miles, and for Gen. Buller's army, Durban to Frere, 130 miles. These columns are still within the British colonies and have not yet reached the territory of the South African republics.

From Pretoria, Durban is more than 400 miles distant; Port Elizabeth and East London more than 600, and Cape Town 900. The territory of the Transvaal is as large as Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania combined; and from Pretoria it extends about 160 miles to the westward, 230 miles to the eastward, 250 miles to the northward and 80 miles directly southward.

The campaigns during the Civil war in our own country between 1861 and 1865 illustrate the results of the operations of two contending forces, equal in enterprise, energy and fortitude, and both under skilful generalship. The use of long-range weapons gives the greater advantage to the force acting on the defensive, and this advantage can only be overcome by overpowering numbers on the side of the opposing force.

There are some new implements of warfare, the use of which affords great aid to an army, such as the wireless telegraph, the heliostat, the telephone and the telegraph, and whichever of two contending armies is without these implements is at a corresponding disadvantage. The science of ballooning has been brought to such perfection that balloons can be steadied against the currents of the winds, and therefore they are now recognized as exceedingly useful for the purpose of obtaining knowledge of the topography of the country and the position of the enemy. Lyddite, a very powerful explosive, far more destructive than the ordinary black powder, is used by the British as the bursting charge in their shells, and can be counted as one of the modern appliances of war. This explosive, however, is not as powerful or destructive as a powder recently invented by an American and adopted in our own service.

AS TO ROUGH RIDERS.

The question has been asked: Is the rough rider to be the ideal soldier of the twentieth century? Such an impression is unwarranted. The skilful horseman who can endure hardship and can make long and rapid journeys with the least possible fatigue to himself and horse, and at the same time can dismount and fight on foot, and is an expert marksman, and can take care of himself alone, or can be manoeuvred in brigades, divisions or corps composed of thousands of mounted men, has been and will be a most useful soldier. Bodies of such men were effectively used on both sides in the Civil war. They are exceedingly useful in reconnoitring a country, cutting lines of communication, capturing and destroying depots of supplies, and, when concentrated, can do effective work on either flank of the enemy.

THE VALUE OF GOOD RIFLEMEN.

Much has been said in regard to the value of good riflemen, as shown in the Transvaal fighting. Knowledge of their rifles and skill in using them are of inestimable value in the men of any army. The modern magazine rifle is sighted from 1,800 up to 2,400 yards, and of course the skilful use of it can only be obtained from practice, intelligent care and proper instruction. Both long-range individual sharpshooting and volley firing will be utilized in campaigns. The former renders the ground between the lines dangerous, if not untenable; and the latter, in close fighting, as in wooded or broken country, or during night attacks, when the control by the officers of firing is most essential, is very effective.

The use of the telegraph and steam power has made a vast difference in the art of war. Formerly it was next to impossible to successfully carry on a war against a foreign country at long distance by the transportation then in use, viz., sailing vessels, as illustrated in our Revolutionary war, and as late even as the Crimean war. Now the great steam transports, bearing all the personnel and munitions of war of modern armies, plough their way rapidly across the seas, and daily and hourly communication can be maintained with forces operating on the opposite side of the globe.

To meet the trials, exposure, hardship, disease and dangers of war requires in the present time the same fortitude as was necessary during the past ages, and to become a true soldier, fulfilling all the requirements and discharging his whole duty to his country, one must be inspired by the noblest patriotism as well as possessed of the stoutest heart.

THE BOERS HAVE NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO FIGHT IN THE OPEN, BUT SEEK ALWAYS THE SHELTER OF THE HILLS.

AN EXCELLENT ILLUSTRATION OF THE WAY OOM PAUL'S MEN FIGHT.

FACTORS OF SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

By Major-Gen. Nelson A. Miles, Commanding the United States Army.

In considering the subject of modern warfare it might be well to make a few comparisons in order to show the changed conditions resulting from the use of modern weapons. Notwithstanding the fact that those now in use are far more powerful than any before invented or used by man, the loss of life in battle has gradually diminished as the use of long-range weapons has become general. Greater distances are maintained between the lines of hostile forces and great masses of troops are not exposed to fire. The firing lines are not such conspicuous targets, being formed of men in single or double rank, who can occasionally resort to cover.

The theater of war covers a more extensive territory, and yet, with all the changes, the same principles of strategy and grand tactics prevail now as thousands of years ago, and victory or disaster depends, just as frequently upon the skill of the commanders.

The losses in battles of modern times, as compared with the times of Frederick the Great and Napoleon, are considerably less.

WAR LOSSES GROWING LESS.

The ancient battles of the Romans were the most sanguinary in history, the fighting being hand to hand, resulting usually in annihilation of the defeated army. At the battle of Cannae, in which 77,000 Romans were engaged, 41,000 were killed or wounded and 25,000 were taken prisoners, while the loss of the Carthaginians, who were victorious, was only 6,000.

At Lundy's Lane, the severest engagement of the war of 1812, the Americans lost 1,200 men out of 6,000 (20 per cent.) and the British 900 out of 2,800 (32 per cent.).

IF ASKED IF IT PAID TO BE A QUEEN, VICTORIA COULD ANSWER IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

MAJOR GEN. NELSON A. MILES, COMMANDING OFFICER UNITED STATES ARMY.

The war in South Africa is extremely interesting from the military point of view because of the test which it puts to the modern methods of transportation and the new weapons to which I have referred. Its result will throw new light upon many military problems. What that result will be depends upon so many possible developments, political as well as military, that prediction would be unsafe.

5,000 FEET UNDERGROUND.

One of the artificial wonders of the world is the Red Jacket shaft in the Calumet and Hecla copper mines, the largest in the world, on the shores of Lake Superior. The shaft is 4,900 feet deep, and is the deepest ever sunk.

It reaches to the conglomerate lode and is 14x23½ feet on the inside, is divided into six compartments and timbered throughout with Georgia pine, of which 10,000,000 feet were required.

The most powerful machinery known to miners operates this shaft, with a capacity of raising ten tons 3,000 feet per minute. In every respect, including the cost, this is the most stupendous undertaking ever carried out by a mining company.

THE YOUNGEST HEROINE OF THE HORSE SHOW.

HELEN CRUIKSHANK, WHO RODE GRACEFULLY MAY-FASHION, ON HER PONY "PATTY."

A LIFELIKE AND GRACEFUL POSE FOR A CHILD FOND OF OUTDOOR LIFE.

PATRIOTIC POSE FOR A LAD.

A YOUNG MILLIONAIRE OF WHOM MUCH IS EXPECTED.

A HUGE SUCCESS

Was Opening Night of Minstrel Show

IN TOWN HALL, NORTH CHELMSFORD

The Performance to be Repeated Tonight

The town hall, North Chelmsford, was the scene of a most successful minstrel performance attracting an audience more than testing the capacity of the hall, standing room being at a premium. The affair was under the popular temperance organization of the village, the St. John's Catholic Total Abstinence society.

Mr. Hubert Bearce of North Chelmsford directed the entertainment in his usual efficient manner and Mr. James Gookin, Lowell's rising pianist, acted as accompanist with his usual skill and grace adding new laurels to his already excellent reputation as an instrumentalist.

The hall was decorated most tastefully and was lighted by electric lights and it presented a grand and inspiring scene. Promptly at 8 o'clock, the curtain rose and the first number on the program was the grand overture and opening chorus of 50 voices and they sang "The Minstrel's Delight," in a pleasing way. Those who sang in the opening chorus were loudly applauded. All the songs and witticisms were decidedly up-to-date. All the young ladies who took part were attired in white and the men performers in black. Among the jokes which had a local application the following might be enumerated:

"Why is Mr. Clarence Sprague, the well known North Chelmsford milkman going out of the milk business?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Sprague's well pump is frozen and he cannot get any water."

"Why is Edward Swain, the well known checker player and clever debater, like a Lowell butcher?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Swain is always looking for stocks."

Mr. Swain is a popular stock market man and the joke on him was well received.

"Why is the North Chelmsford grocery store like England?"

Answer: "Because there is a Queen at the head of it." The manager being Mr. Myron A. Queen.

"What vegetable does the city of Ladysmith look like?"

Answer: "The green pea, because the Boers are always shelling it."

"Why has Patrick Welch the most ups and downs in his life of any man in North Chelmsford?"

Answer: "Because he runs the elevator in George C. Moore's mills."

Many other clever jokes were sprung on many of the village folks and they were all well received.

The following is the program as it was presented:

Overture, "The Minstrels Delight," ....Entire Company.
Entire Company.
"Good-Bye, Ma Baby," Jas. J. Barrett
"She Rests by the Suwanee River" ....Miss Clara McCoy
"I Think I'll have to Telegraph My Baby" .... David J. Dixon
Song, "Sometime" ....George F. Lynch
"I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby" .... Samuel L. Seymour
Song, "A Picture No Artist Can Paint," ....Miss Lizzie Constantineau
Song, "Somewhere" ....Miss Josie E. McCabe
"I've Seen No Messenger Boy," .... Arthur S. Allen
Song "Sing Me a Song of the South" .... Walter P. Finch
"I Wouldn't Leave My Home If I Were You" .... Walter P. Finch
Song "My Lady Love" Edward F. Shea
"My Hannah Lady" ......John J. Gray

PART II.

Duet, "Cheerfulness" (waltz rondo) .... Gumbert
Mrs. Hubert Bearce and Miss Daisy I. Ripley.

Clarinet solo, ...Mr. J. P. Quigley
Buck and wing dance, Mr. Fred F. Lester; song, selected, Mrs. C F. Scribner; Mr. Hugh Farley, the "Irish comedian" introduced some side-splitting Irish comedy; song, selected, Miss Ethel Ranger; comic sketch entitled "Just Imported—The Two Counts,"; Edward F. Shea and George F. Lynch in the very latest jokes, songs and dances.

Interlocutor, John T. Crowley.

Bones—Arthur S. Allen, David J. Dixon, Walter P. Finch.

Tambos—Samuel L. Seymour, James J. Barrett, John J. Gray.

Chorus—The Misses Josie McCabe, Clara McCoy, Lizzie Constantineau, Tessie McCabe, Mary Crowley, Kittie Curry, Mary eHaley, Katie McEnany, Frances McEnany, Mary Larkin, Laura Lacaire, Fannie Miller, Mary E. McMahonu, Minnie McMannimon, Lilla Seymour, Messrs. Ernest Boles, John Curry, Joseph Crowley, John Harrington, George Lynch, Fred Lester, Alphonse Magnant, Arthur Montferrand, Louis Miner, Dave McNally, John McNally, George Pope, James Quigley, Thomas McTague, Edward Shea.

Mr. John T. Crowley made a fine interlocutor and the bones were played to perfection by Allard S. Allen, David J. Dixon and Walter P. Finch while the tambos were handled in a clever way by Samuel Seymour, Jas. J. Barrett and John J. Gray.

Tonight the entertainment will be repeated and a grand cake walk will be given under the direction of Mr. Thomas Armstrong of Lowell.

A large number is expected to trolley from Lowell to the North Chelmsford town hall tonight.

BAY STATE FAIR

CLOSED LAST NIGHT AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Last night was the closing night of the Bay State fair held in the vestries of the First Congregational church. On account of the inclemency of the weather the attendance was rather small.

The big event will long be remembered and much credit is due to Mrs. F. E. Putnam, Mrs. Frank Hoyt, Mr. C. in transferring properties and appoint- O. Hall and others who lent valuable assistance in the way of conveyances ments to and from the fair. The flowers sold at the city of Worcester came from the greenhouses of Harvey B. Greene and the decorations of American flags, bunting and shields were kindly loaned to the ladies for the occasion by Mr. Sidney Drewett and Mrs. Hoyt, the president of the society takes this opportunity to thank each and every one who in any way contributed to the success of the Bay State fair.

INTER-CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The Home club of Lawrence and the Vesper-Country club of this city will play a series of inter-club tournament games at the latter's quarters this evening. The visitors will come 50 strong, they say, and will furnish their part of the evening's entertainment.

ROBBED OF GLORY

Gen. Wheeler Given no Credit by Gen. Otis

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—Prima Facie proof comes in a letter from an officer in the Philippines that General Otis was prominent party to a conspiracy to rob General Joseph Wheeler of any credit he might be entitled to from service in the Philippines.

The theory has been that General Wheeler has had important active service in the Philippines and this was based on the official reports of General Otis to the war department.

As a matter of fact however, General Wheeler was in a score of battles, behaved with signal gallantry and distinction, was many times on the firing line and was of the utmost value to the American cause.

Here is the letter in part:

"Letters are being received from the United States asking why General Otis has never mentioned Gen. Wheeler in his reports. One letter said: 'A statement has been made that no matter what General Wheeler did in the Philippines his name would not be mentioned. We believe this has been proved to be literally true.

"It is known that General Wheeler has constantly studied the location of the enemy's troops and has repeatedly solicited authority to attack them, but every such action has been refused. Notwithstanding this, General Wheeler has been in a number of engagements, but his service has been entirely ignored or the credit given to others.

"On September 9, General Wheeler had a fight with a force of insurgents' infantry and artillery at Santa Rita. General Otis cabled an account of the fight to Washington, but the published report does not mention General Wheeler.

On Sept. 16, General Wheeler had another fight at Santa Rita, but no mention whatever was ever made of it.

"On Sept. 28, he commanded the troops which charged over the enemy's breastworks at Porac and pushed through and beyond the town, but General Wheeler's name was never mentioned.

"On October 11, General Wheeler's troops had quite a warm fight at Angeles. The fight lasted for three hours. General Wheeler rode his horse along the firing line during all action. Here again no mention was made of General Wheeler, and yet the insurgent force engaged in these two fights in the Philippines.

"General Wheeler also engaged in nine other fights or skirmishes at Angeles.

"General Wheeler was in the Bombun fight, and after the insurgents fled, pursued them until ordered back by General MacArthur, of course his name was not mentioned.

"The foregoing statements are taken from or based upon official reports. My purpose is to show General Wheeler's friends that, to say the least, General Wheeler has been active and efficient in his service in the Philippines."

BOXING GOSSIP.

All details of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club next Monday evening have been settled. Messrs. William A. Pierce and E. F. Wood, managers of Byers and Mulvihill, met President Anderson and Treasurer Hanlon of the Kirtland club and agreed that Referee Captain Bill Daly was to be instructed that he must give a decision. The men are to go fifteen rounds, and if the bout is not ended before that time, and the referee cannot conclude that one of the men is defeated, he empowered to order other rounds until a clear winner is found.

This arrangement will meet with the approval of all lovers of boxing in this vicinity, and is a rule which should be adopted all over the country. It ensures more spirited bouts, for the custom now followed permits the principals to waste time until the last round, so as to get a draw. Under the new rule a boxer will understand that the only way he can enhance his reputation is to exert his best efforts from the very start in a contest.

The determination of the Kirtland club to have decisions in their bouts is an innovation which will receive indorsement from all sides. Patrons will be protected from song and dance and gymnasium bouts. The new rule will make it positive that the superiority of the principal in each contest will be shown to all. It is a rule that will make the Kirtland club the most popular institution of its kind in the East. The old custom of permitting draws if both men were on their feet allowed too much opportunity for fakes.

This young sailor, Mulvihill, Byer's opponent is not a "ringer." He is a chap with a big record. Mulvihill is going to surprise the wise ones and it would not surprise some if he would become a prominent factor in the American middleweight championship in the near future. If he can beat George Byers he can get backing for $5000 against any middleweight limit. Tom Sharkey will find half the stake money. When Sharkey was in Boston he said that Mulvihill was a wonder five years ago and if he has improved any since then, he ought to be able to beat most any of the present run of middleweights. It may be remembered that Mulvill was the first man to go twenty rounds against Sharkey.

The following from Bob Broker explains itself: "There are quite a lot of 100 pound boxers around Boston looking for work. Now, I claim to be the 100 pound champion of New England, having won the title from the late Jimmy Duffy in 14 rounds six years ago at the Camden club. I stand ready to defend the title against all comers.

Doubting ones of a few weeks ago are now ready to believe that there might have been something wrong in the McGovern-Dixon fight. There was more in that contest by reason of the betting that McGovern would secure a knock-out in a certain number of rounds than has been told. Now a charge has been made that it was agreed that McGovern would fight Medely Miles if he would knock-out Eddie Santry. The agreement was violated, the Santry people were double-crossed, and some people won a pot of money.

Jim Kennedy, the well known manager and promoter of fistic events, in connection with Johnny Eckhardt, the well known referee, is to bring their great Ethopian combination of cake walkers to Music Hall, Boston, on the evening of Feb. 14.

By reason of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club, the meeting of the Isoteric club has been postponed from Feb. 12 to Feb. 14.

Speaking of his trip to Portland, Twin Sullivan says everyone connected with the Casco Athletic club treated him and his party with the greatest courtesy and liberality. Sullivan says he will make a match with Martin Riley or Joe Robinson again, for the "Casco's" next meeting.

Chuck Talbot writes from Charlestown that he wants a match with some 118-pound man, Young Curran or Kid Fanning preferred.

Sparring competitions which were scheduled for the B. A. A. Feb. 10, have been given up on account of lack of entries, there not being enough to guarantee a fairly good show. If enough men can be guaranteed the championship will be held in March.

There is a very bitter war going on over in New York between Tom O'Rourke and George F. Considine. latter is now considered the Napoleon of boxing matters, and had more than succeeded Tom O'Rourke as the right man with Senator Tim Sullivan and the other powers that be. O'Rourke still controls the utterances of one or two sporting writers and they are feebly attacking Considine.

BIG FIRE

SECOND ALARM FOR BLAZE IN A DANGEROUS DISTRICT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 8.— For over an hour last evening traffic was suspended on Washington street near Eustis, in Roxbury. The cause was a fire for which two alarms were rung in from box 231. The first alarm was sounded at 6.13 and 10 minutes later Chief Grady ordered a second.

Shortly after 6 o'clock smoke was seen issuing from a window on the second story of the five-story brick building, 2109 to 2115 Washington Street occupied by J. P. and W. H. Emond, carriage builders. An alarm was hastily sounded and upon the arrival of the firemen Chief Grady thought it advisable to sound a second alarm owing to the dangerous locality of the building. While the fire itself was not of a serious nature the structure of the Boston elevated road handicapped the fire fighters to a great extent. The loss was considerable.

A REBELLION

BROKEN OUT AT HONG KONG.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says that a serious rebellion has broken out in Swatau in the province of Kwang Tung. The viceroy has sent troops and a gunboat to suppress the insurrection.

MUSIC HALL

Last evening the "Vanity Fair Burlesquers" started on their three night and matinee performance at Music Hall. The opening feature is a burletta in one act entitled "Paris in 1900, or Gayest Paris," and it is one of the funniest burlesque drolleries ever conceived. Andrew Barr and Robert Mack as the Irishman and Hebrew are a funny pair. Their drolleries convulsed the big audience and to watch them was as difficult as keeping tabs on a three ring circus. The olio was clean, novel and entertaining. Morrissey and Rich, as "The Moonlight Serenaders," were given a warm reception, followed by Katie Rooney, the daughter of the late Pat Rooney, in character changes and imitations. In the last feature of her act, she changes costumes to male attire and when she appeared last evening she was the exact counterpart of her late father. She made a great hit and she will be a prime favorite during the engagement of "Vanity Fair" in Lowell. The breezy comedians, Howard and Mack had a budget of new witticisms, jokes, jokolets and quibbles. Andy Barr and Florence Evans are a clever pair. They are creators of original comedy. Mr. Barr, as the hay farmer, and Miss Evans, as the "Lilliputian," created a great sensation in their absurdity entitled "In Town on Business." The closing feature of the olio program introduced, the wonderful Rio Brothers, three in number in an entirely original and sensational act with the flying aerial rings. They gave the greatest exhibition of muscular development ever witnessed and they are as graceful as any trio of acrobats ever seen. Their act alone is worth seeing. If you never saw any other part of the show. The performance came to a close with the burlesque production of "Rob Roy," with Anna Little in the title role. She is a handsome and shapely woman and she sang a duet with Katie Rooney which was a gem of the burlesque. The performance will be given again tonight tomorrow afternoon and evening.

WHIST TOURNAMENT

REAGAN AND McBRIDE LEAD IN BURKES CONTEST.

At the Burke temperance institute a whist tournament consisting of 18 teams is now in progress. The winners will each receive a valuable silk umbrella, to the two finishing second will be awarded two meerschaum pipes, while the third prizes will be two sets of cuff buttons. There are two other prizes, the individual and the booby. Two pins comprise the individual prizes while the booby is a doll's carriage. The standing of the teams follows:

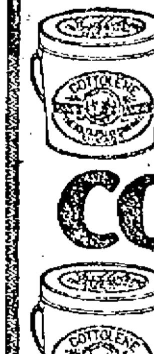
	W.	L.	Pts.
Reagan and McBride	23	11	377
Clark and Dailey	23	10	371
Flynn and Winn	21	13	371
O'Hare and Townsend	21	13	351
Kane and Mullaney	17	17	357
Lussier and Zipple	21	10	353
Reagan and Tierney	14	18	354
Mulvey and McClennys	14	16	311
Wynee and Linehan	16	13	307
Gallagher and Smith	17	13	307
McLaughlin and Farrell	14	13	299
Meaney and Reagan	10	22	284
Duggan and McNamara	16	17	254
Harrington and Lemire	8	19	250
Devlin and Langley	10	16	243
Rooney and Smith	9	16	216
Quinley and Donnelly	6	17	192
McCarthy and Gleason	9	9	161

Frank L. Fitzgerald will be a candidate for re-election to the board of selectmen.

Wednesday evening the republican town committee organized, and elected officers as follows: Chairman, Frank H. Farmer; secretary, H. M. Bailey; treasurer, Marcellus Patton; auditor, John E. Foster.

REMINISCENCES OF LOWELL.

Owing to the stormy condition of the weather last evening a rather small audience listened to a delightful talk on the early reminiscences of Lowell at the Grace-Universalist church. Mr. Bachelder is an able speaker on the subject, and the talk last evening was listened to with a great deal of interest by all present.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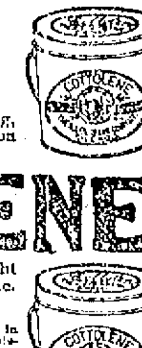

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MUSEUM.....The Girl from Maxim's
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LOCAL NEWS

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NEXT SATURDAY IS QUARTER DAY AT WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK. 4 PER CENT. 253 CENTRAL STREET.

LONG TALK.

The last in the series of song-talks given by Miss Neuhaus of Boston was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George F. Richardson, with an attendance of about 80. The talk was on the modern composers of the different countries with selections from their compositions.

FAREWELL PARTY.

Miss Eva Shepard gave a farewell party at her residence Wednesday evening in honor of her guest, Mr. Frank McVicker, who is about to sail for Europe. A large gathering of their friends were present and were entertained at whist. A dainty lunch was served.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

A feature, for the next few weeks, in the local Young Men's Christian association gymnasium will be the basket ball league formed by the Scarlets, Crescents and Silver Stars. Some fast and interesting contests are looked froward to, as the teams are evenly matched in strength and experience. The first of these games will be played on next Saturday evening, Feb. 10th between the Scarlets and Crescents. On the same evening at 7.45 o'clock the regular association team will play the Winchester Young Men's Christian association team. This new team showed up well in practice last evening and will no doubt render a good account of themselves in the contest with Winchesters.

The association league games are as follows:
Feb. 10—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
Feb. 17—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
Feb. 24.—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.
March 3.—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
March 10—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
March 17.—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.

MAYOR CROWLEY

DECLINES TO PRESIDE AT THE PRO-MEETING.

Mayor Crowley has notified the committee in charge of the Maude Gonne pro-Boer meeting that he will not preside at the meeting. Consequently Joseph Smith will preside.

PAINTERS—DECORATORS

ELECTED OFFICERS AT WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—At today's session of the convention of the National Association of Master Painters and Decorators, amendments to the constitution were adopted. Officers were elected as follows: President, Francis F. Black, Philadelphia; secretary and treasurer, Joel Kennedy; members of the executive board, J. B. Hand, Brookline, Mass.; Alexander Grant, Providence, R. I., and others. Buffalo was chosen at the next meeting place of the convention, the date to be fixed later by the executive board.

TWO CHAMPIONS

WON IN THE RACQUET TOURNEY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Two champions won their matches in the semi-final round of the amateur national championship racquet tournament in the B. A. court yestrday. Quincy A. Shaw, Jr., the American premier, defeated Payne Whitney 15-4, 6-15, 17-15 and E. H. Miles, the champion court tennis and racquet player of England won from Potter 15-7, 15-1, 15-6.

Thus when Miles and Shaw meet on aturday in the nals, the international championship laurels will be at stake and a hot match is promised, as both men are developing their best form.

SAVOY THEATRE

Lovers of vaudeville, that is vaudeville coupled with the artistic skill of its exponents, will do well to visit Lowell's "parlor theatre,"—the Savoy—before the week's end. The program has been selected with great care by the managers, Messrs. Mack and Dempsey, who never allow a turn to go upon the Savoy stage unless one of them or both have seen the house.

The storm of last night did not detract from the attendance and among those present were an unusually large number of store clerks, principally young ladies, who seem to take kindly to refined vaudeville as given at the Savoy for many of them attend the performances weekly.

Miss Marguerite Starr, a very prepossessing prima donna soprano sang herself into the good graces of her auditors and she was at her best in the selection of the "Holy City," in which she gave an impersonation in very effective contralto followed in sweet soprano voice of rare purity and tone. The range and penetrativeness of her voice coupled with the softness and rhymth are wonderful and every performance adds to the numbers of her admirers. The following are among the other clever artists who appear: H. B. Ricel and Nellie B. Chandler, O'Brady's Election; Herbert and Willing, "Coondom Craze"; Craig and McDonald, Original musical sketch, "The German Blunders;" Farnum & Seymour, "Shadow and the Colonel;" C. E. Killingbeck & T. J. Madden, illustrator and bell tenor, late of West's Big Minstrels; Fritz, Leslie & Eddie, Novelty Pantomine Act, "The Enchanted House."

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AGAIN WORKING

Men Who Were Discharged From Tannery

RESULT OF CONFERENCE YESTERDAY

Another Conference to Decide Wage Schedule

A conference was held yesterday afternoon at the American house between Mr. E. L. White and a special committee representing the employes of the tannery. As a result of the conference, which lasted two hours, about 60 men who were temporarily discharged on Monday morning, returned to work today.

Hon. C. D. Palmer and Mr. Barry of the state board of arbitration, were present but did not participate in the meeting, as their presence was not exactly necessary in view of the fact that both sides were disposed to be agreeable. The wages paid in Lowell were compared with those paid in Danvers and in other cities in Massachusetts, and in this connection the committee set forth the desires of the leathers workers. Nothing definite in way of agreement on a new schedule was reached and it was finally decided to have another conference next Tuesday afternoon.

At this conference the wage question will certainly be settled. Both sides agree that where there is a dispute over wages, it is to be left with the state board of arbitration, or to another board consisting of three members, one of them to be selected by the committee, another to be selected by the White Brothers and the third to be chosen by the two men selected. Both sides agree to submit to any decision that shall be made by the board.

LOWELL MAN

NOW LECTURING THROUGH CANADA AND NOVA SCOTIA.

The lectures by Prof. John A. Nicholls in Orange Hall, on Monday and Tuesday evenings were largely attended. On Monday evening the hall was crowded to the door by an enthusiastic and patriotic audience, and the lecture on the War in South Africa, which was graphically illustrated, was frequently and heartily applauded. On Tuesday evening the subject was the Passion Play of Oberammergau, a subject of deep religious interest. The lecture was preceded by a trip to Boston showing the splendid service of the Plant Line and a visit to places of historic interest in that city. The lectures of Prof. Nicholls are not only entertaining but educational and instructive.—Nova Scotia Five Lance and Westville News.

TO TEST THORITE

A DUMMY BATTLESHIP WILL BE BLOWN UP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The navy ordinance department has constructed at Indian Head, on the Potomac River, a structure resembling the hull of a ship, which it is proposed to attack with thorite with a view to testing the efficiency of that high explosive in naval warfare.

The point to be tested is whether a thorite shell will penetrate the ordinary armor plating of a battle ship and explode in the interior. The experiments on this line will probably be made very shortly.

In the tests which have been planned at Indian Head, the ordnance officers will use ten-inch shells loaded with thorite against eight-inch armor.

FARMERS INSTITUTE

AT TYNGSBORO ON WEDNESDAY NEXT.

The Middlesex North Agricultural society will hold a farmer's institute at Tyngsboro Wednesday forenoon next beginning at 10.30 o'clock. Isaac Damon of Wayland, a member of the state board of agriculture will speak in the morning upon "Milch Cows and Dairy Farming." In the afternoon the question box will furnish topics for discussion. Dinner at noon. Both session will be opened by musical selections by local talent. The electric cars leave Lowell every 40 minutes in the forenoon; every half hour in the afternoon.

MIDWINTER FETE

ANOTHER LARGE ATTENDANCE AT THE SACRED HEART HALL.

The second night of the midwinter fete in the Sacred Heart parochial school hall in aid of the church building fund, attracted another large gathering last evening. The entertainment was given by the members of the Young Men's Catholic Lyceum, a new organization recently formed in the Sacred Heart parish, who presented the laughable comedy "Back from Klondike." Those who assumed characters in the cast were: Jos. W. Murphy, Edward Slattery, Jas. McLaughlin, James Fagan, John Murray, John Devine, John Clark, James Breen, Peter A. Clune and George Daley. The audience was kept convulsed throughout the presentation of the comedy, principally by the antics and droll sayings of Jas. McLaughlin, as "Stub McKenna." Edward Slattery as "Casey," John Murray, the Jew and Peter A. Clune as the Spaniard. Vocal selections were given by George Daly baritone, who was encored for his able rendition of "My Little Georgia Rose." James Breen, in "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom;" song, Peter A. Clune, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep;" "My Hannah Lady" John Murray; Joseph W. Murphy, "I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby," coon melody, Mr. Chas. A. Carey. The affair was under the directorship of Mr. Joseph W. Murphy and reflected great credit on the skill and tact of the young man as well as his co-laborers of the Lyceum who made their initial appearance in the dramatic line such a grand success.

The festival will be continued tonight and tomorrow night.

MOTHER GOOSE PARTY.

At a meeting in the Kirk Street vestry last evening arrangments were made for the coming fair which will be in the nature of a Mother Goose party with corresponding costumes, table decorations, etc. The officials and attendants were selected.

A DELIGHTFUL TEA.

Mrs. Addison Putnam Jr., gave a tea at her residence 19 Nesmith street in honor of her sisters, Mrs. Wiley and Mrs. Hurlbut of Chicago, and Mrs. La Croix of Lynn. Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large attendance. The following ladies assisted: Mesdames Putnam, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. George F. Richardson, Mrs. H. P. Jefferson, Mrs. Harry A. Brown, Mrs. Harry Burrows, Mrs. Frank P. Putnam, Mrs. Walter J. Denny, Mrs. E. N. Burke, Mrs. A. B. Merrill.

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STEAMER ASHORE

The Gate City of the Oceanic Company

ON THE OUTER BAR AT NEW YORK

Has 3000 Bales of Cotton Aboard

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The steamship Gate City of the Ocean Steamship company went on the outer bar, three miles east of the Moriches Life saving station Long Island, about 9 o'clock last night. There was a dense fog at the time and it is said the steamer was driven hard into the sand which forms the outer shoal. At present she is lying easy in a comparatively smooth sea.

The Gate City had on board forty-nine persons, three of whom were women. When she went aground her whistle signalled to the life saving station and they at once launched a surf boat. They found the vessel in no great danger but the captain of the life savers volunteered to take off the passengers. The women decided to go ashore and they were taken to the beach and given possession of the station house. The surf boat immediately put out again to the stranded steamer with the intention of bringing any of the male passengers ashore that desired to be taken off.

The Gate City is lying in the sand in a sea that is steadily rising and she will be in a dangerous position in case of a storm. The surf boats will probably lie alongside the steamer during the remainder of the night unless she is floated.

The Gate City has 3000 bales of cotton on board.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The vessel ashore, it is now learned, is the Ocean steamship company's steamer Gate City, command of Captain Lewis. She sailed from Savannah Feb. 6, for Boston. A surf boat which went out to the steamer from the Moriches life saving station returned soon after midnight with three women on board.

LABOR UNIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY THOMAS F. CONNOLLY RESIGNS HIS POSITION.

The Weavers' union held a regular meeting last night at which a communication was received from Mr. Thomas F. Connolly who has been ill for some time resigning the office of financial secretary which he has ably and acceptably filled since the union was organized. It was known that Mr. Connolly was an overworked man before he was taken ill and it was feared that he would be obliged to relieve himself of some of his responsibility. His resignation, however, came as unpleasant news to the members. Under the circumstances there was nothing to do but accept it and the temporary secretary was instructed to send a message of thanks to Mr. Connolly.

Miss McMullin was elected temporary financial secretary for one week. At the next meeting a permanent successor to Mr. Connolly will be chosen and it is hoped that all the members will be present.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Brogan, who gave the union a detailed account of the recent Lonsdale disturbance.

The committee appointed to interview Agent Kerr will see him early next week on the questions which have been under dispute for some time.

PAINTERS' UNION.

The newly formed Painters' union met last night and elected the following permanent officers: President, William Bulmer; vice president, John Thompson; recording secretary, M. A. Gilligan; financial secretary, John F. Dolan; treasurer, George Jamieson. The charter has been received and the charter list consists of 50 names.

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GEORGE SEDDON RUN OVER BY MILK WAGON.

George Seddon ten years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Seddon of Cottage Street, Collinsville, was run over by a milk wagon belonging to Mr. McDonald of Pawtucketville on Wednesday. Young Seddon was crossing the street and in attempting to get out of the way of Kelman's grocery team he stepped into the path of Mr. McDonald's milk wagon and was knocked down, two of the wheels passing over his body. He was painfully injured about the back. Dr. Welch says that no serious results will follow.

William Tyrrell of Upland street is a candidate for auditor on the democratic ticket.

William Bolton, who sailed for England about two months ago, has written a letter to his brother, Peter Bolton of Sladen street. William is in London, and states that he is to return to this country soon.

The new switch board in the engine room of the Collins mills was completed this week.

JUROR BROWN BETTER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Late last night it was stated at the Astor House that the condition of Molineux's juror, Manheim Brown, had improved and that he would probably be able to take his place in court today.

EXPLORER STANLEY ILL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the African explorer and Unionist liberal member of parliament for North Lambah, was taken suddenly ill with gastritis in the house of commons Wednesday night and is in a somewhat serious condition.

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NINE WERE KILLED

In a Rear End Collision in Michigan

Felch Mountain Train and Fast Freight Collide—The Cars Telescoped and Burned

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ESCANABA, Mich., Feb. 9.—Chicago & Northwestern passenger train No. 21, known as the Felch mountain accommodation, which runs between this city and Metropolitan, was wrecked in a rear-end collision with a freight train at Ford river switch at 6.30 last night. Nine persons were killed, three are reported missing, five seriously and four slightly injured. The dead are:

W. I. Hill, baggageman of the accommodation train.

William Dillon, brakeman on accommodation train.

Miss Seymour, section P, Michigan.

Charles Martin, Escanaba, civil engineer.

George R. Black, Escanaba, civil engineer.

Sam Green, Negaune.

Two unknown men.

Unknown woman, body charred beyond recognition.

Fast train No. 253, north bound, from Green Bay to Ispaming was making about 50 miles an hour when it passed Narenta for Ford river switch seven miles west of this city.

The engine was forging ahead through a blinding snow storm, which made it impossible to see signal lights except a short distance ahead. When within 100 yards of the switch at Ford river, Engineer James Green saw the rear lights of a train directly ahead and with a warning cry to his fireman, Cole Nee, jumped. The next instant the heavy freight struck the passenger coach of the accommodation and telescoped it and the baggage car ahead. Flames soon enveloped the cars and made the work of rescue doubly hard.

EVANGELIST GEIL

Gave an Interesting Sermon Last Night

LIVELY TALK ON SIN AND SINNERS

Large Gathering at First Baptist Church

Evangelist Geil evidently intends that there shall be no "prayer meeting snores" under his preaching. Like John, the subject of his opening sketch last night, he is a furious driver. At the second meeting, held in the First Baptist church, there was a pretty good attendance in spite of the rain, indicating that had the weather been inviting, the church would have been packed to suffocation. Rev. L. W. Staples opened the meeting.

Mr. Geil's sermon was peculiar. It can't be reported, because action, facial expression and gesture had much to do with its effectiveness. The text was from the 9th chapter of Kings, 20th verse, "He Driveth Furiously."

The subject announced for the evening, "A Painted Face" was dropped after the first illustration, drawn from the story of the death of Jezebel, under the wheels of Jehu's chariot. The story was told in a dramatic manner, with remarkable descriptive power, in the first part. Then coming to the point where Jezebel looked out of the window, he said: "And when Jehu saw that woman with a painted face, he said 'Whoa!' Kings could not check him in his mad career, but when he saw a woman with a painted face, he promptly said 'Whoa!' When you are in the very moment of achievement, expect to see a painted face. Many a warrior has been stopped within one inch of victory. It was a painted face. Look out."

The words of the text served as the keynote to the remainder of the address. The reason Jehu was a furious driver, was that he had the command of God ringing in his soul. The Lord Jesus Christ was the most furious driver this world ever saw."

The speaker then told the story of Christ driving the devils out of a man into a drove of swine. The owners of the swine, the evangelist said, wanted Jesus to leave the country because his religion was too expensive. "They wanted no man saved at the rate of 4000 hams to the man. There is an amazing amount of ham religion on this planet today and you have got some of it in Lowell. Pure, unadulterable ham religion. Stack up your hams, 4000 of them, and place a man there and you will take down the hams and let the man go down to be eternally lost. You are willing to have people saved in this city but you want it done cheaply. You do not purpose to have it interfere with your business or social interests and engagements. You are willing that men should be saved if they can be saved at the rate of a dollar apiece; but how many of you are willing to pay 5000 hams for a revival of religion?

"I see that some of you do not like that. I am glad of it. One thing has troubled me all day. I fired hot shot here last night and everybody seemed to like it. You went away and said, 'Wasn't that nice? He made a good hit.' What was hit. No one that ought to have been because if that had been so, you would have been down on the preacher, and gone off and talked about him and that would have advertised the meetings.

"If I cannot help men to be saved in my own town, I have got no business to be in Lowell; and if you cannot lead people to Christ in Lowell, if you cannot get anybody converted under the shadow of your own home, the heathen are bad enough as they are, without your going to them.

"A rut is a grave with both ends knocked out. There are lots of people who must go a slow pace as long as they stay in the ruts that their grandfathers' chariots were. We are preaching the same gospel as then but nowhere does God command a man to drive in the same rut as his grandfather. If I can reach a man by way of his head, heart or liver, I am after the man, and I am willing to transfer the starch to the laundry."

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Washington Commandery held its regular meeting last night and made arrangements for some good times in the future as laid out by the good of the order committee. Lady Frances Ellen Morrison presided for the first time as noble commander.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. I. O. O. F., had its regular meeting in old Odd Fellows' hall, last evening and received two applications. During the meeting the first degree was worked on three members. The ordinary routine business was transacted.

Court General Shields, F. of A., had its regular meeting in Foresters' hall last evening. The membership list took quite a boom, 35 applications being received. The court is making arrangements for a smoke talk which will be held on the evening of Feb. 22.

Bay State Colony, Pilgrim Fathers, transacted routine business at their meeting in Bay State Hall last evening and there was a large number present despite the rain. On account of the state of the hall, the clambake which was to have ben held last evening was postponed to Thursday evening, Feb. 22. It was also decided to have a dance in addition.

At the meeting of Passaconaway Tribe, Red Men last night arrangements were completed for attending the special service in the Central M. E. church next Sunday night. The members will meet in their hall at 6 o'clock and march in a body in regalia to the church. Rev. Mr. Meredith will preach a special sermon.

The entertainment committee of Loyal Victoria lodge, I. O. O. L., M. L., has arranged for a supper and entertainment in old Odd Fellows' hall tomorrow evening.

The complimentary dance which was to have been held in Mathews hall last night was postponed for one week on account of the small attendance resulting from the bad weather.

COMING MINSTREL SHOW.

One of the notable social events of February in Westford will be a minstrel show to be held in the town hall the 15th under the auspices of the Graniteville boys. Jon Wall has the affair in charge and in such hands it could be nothing but a great success.

MORE LUCRATIVE POSITION.

Mr. Thomas Pollitt for the past seven years second hand of the Boott No. 4 weave room has accepted a more lucrative position with the Naumkeag Cotton Steam company of Salem.

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BULLER

Driven Across Tugela for Third Time

BOER HEAD LAAGER, Thursday, Feb. 8—The British who were in possession of the Kopje at Molensdrift abandoned it after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela river to their former position.

A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

ARMORED TRAIN WAS ATTACKED

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HEAD LAAGER, LADYSMITH, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7.—AN ARMOR-SORTIEFROM CHIEVELY TOWARD COLENSO AND LANDED TWO THOUSAND BRITISH TROOPS ON THE RIGHT OF THE BOER POSITION. THE BOERS IMMEDIATELY CROSSED THE RIVER AND MADE AN ATTACK WITH RIFLES AND ARTILLERY, FORCING THE WITHDRAWAL OF BOTH THE TRAIN AND THE TROOPS TO CHIEVELY.

THE FIGHTING ON THE UPPER TUGELA RIVER LASTED UNTIL 8.30 YESTERDAY (TUESDAY) EVENING. PARTICULARS ARE LACKING.

FIRING AT BOTH COLENSO AND ALONG THE UPPER TUGELA HAS BEEN PROCEEDING SINCE FIVE O'CLOCK THIS MORNING.

LONDON GETS NO MORE NEWS

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—4 a. m. All the messages from the observers with Gen. Buller throw in a phrase or two about the "strength of the Boer positions," and the "difficulties of Gen. Buller's war," but they do not carry events beyond Tuesday evening. Their last slender narratives leave the British advance on Vaal Krantz in the centre of a semi-circle where the troops are exposed to the Boer artillery on both sides and in the centre.

The fighting continued until 9 Tuesday evening and, almost without doubt, continued Wednesday, as the Boers would certainly not leave this wedge into their lines unmolested. It is also inferred that General Buller must either continue his advance or retire.

The heaviest fighting appears to have been on Tuesday. General Buller's 233 casualties are mentioned as having occurred before Tuesday noon. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. The casualties already reported bring the total British losses to 10,244 killed, wounded and captured.

The disposition here is rather to minimize the importance of the fighting in Natal and to suggest that this is only an incident, placing hope upon expected decisive engagements in northern Cape Colony and upon the invasion of the Free State by Lord Roberts. At all events this is the official view.

The public does not like these waits and there is sharp anxiety for further news.

In Cape Colony General MacDonald has had a skirmish with a thousand Boers at Koodoosberg. This was on Monday. The Boers have been taking the offensive against Gen. French near Rensburg, as well as against Gen. Gatacre in the Stormberg hills.

A supplementary army estimate, to March 31, was laid pro-forma before the house of commons yesterday but was not made public. It is reported that the call is for £30,000,000, which would make the cost of the war up to date £200,000,000. The maintenance of 200,000 men at the front, it is estimated, costs between £9,000,000 and £10,000,000 per month.

BOER ATTACK ON THE BRITISH

By Associated Press to The Sun.

KOODOESBERG DRIFT, Feb. 8.—The Boers yesterday made a determined attempt to drive the British from a hill commanding the drift. Mounting two-pounders at the northern extremity, they shelled the position intermittently the whole day. Seaforth Highlanders gained a position on the rocky summit and kept up a sustained rifle fire, but suffered somewhat from the Boer's shelling. A battery was sent and succeeded in silencing the Boer fire. Meanwhile two companies of the Argyll Highlanders advancing along the plain in a westerly direction, found the Boers entrenched at a small drift. A sharp engagement followed lasting the whole day.

General McDonald now only required sufficient troops in order to completely surround the Boers. General Babington was despatched from Modder river with a large force of cavalry and two horse batteries but failed to reach here, although he started early enough in the day to enable him to get here early this afternoon.

FROM LADYSMITH BULLER INVISIBLE

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Ladysmith dated Tuesday, Feb. 6, says: "Little can be seen of Gen. Buller's action owing to the haze. It appears that the Boers have withdrawn their big guns from the hills here southward. A large force of Boers still remains and the garrison is prepared for a right attack.

WAR IN ZULULAND

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DURBAN, Feb. 9.—A large force of Boers attacked Nordwent in Zululand and destroyed the public buildings. They took numerous prisoners. A force of volunteers with artillery has been despatched thither to support the scouts and to oppose a further advance by the Boers.

NO WORD FROM GEN. BULLER

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—There is still no news of General Buller's doings today nor yesterday. A despatch dated from Frere Camp, Thursday, Feb. 8, but probably written within the advanced lines, Wednesday, Feb. 7, and sent to Frere by runner says: "The forces of the enemy are on both our flanks and continue to render our position extremely difficult to maintain."

Beyond the fact that General Buller started Wednesday to bring more artillery and troops across the Tugela nothing is known of his movements but that he badly needed reinforcements is evident from the foregoing from Frere. It is still more patent that it is impossible for him to advance till the artillery has been enabled to take up forward positions for the purpose of subduing the Boer guns on both flanks. Upon the length of time occupied by this occupation depends the durance of General Bullers maintenance of the defensive. It is reasonable to suppose that the guns and reinforcements were in position yesterday and that another attempt to advance is now progressing or at least that the bombardment preliminary to the actual movement of the troops is in progress. In the meanwhile, news is awaited with very great eagerness.

Almost all the critics now point out that the mere pushing through to Ladysmith without securing a decisive victory on the way there would only add danger to what is already a critical situation.

Another Frere Camp dispatch says a Boer prisoner asserts that the Boers expected General Buller to cross at Skiots Drift and that thousands of Boers were being posted at Dornkloof to oppose such a passage, while on the captured hill there are only a few hundred Johannesburgers. This tends to increase the anxiety of those who believe that General Buller has scarcely begun the serious part of his advance, though encouragement is gleaned from the news that the heavy naval guns, after repeated attempts, during which the mules rolled down the hill, have succeeded in reaching the summit of Zwarts Kop, whence they are doing excellent practice.

General Hector MacDonald's retirement from Koodoesberg has created disappointment. But, the operation was, apparently only intended as a sortie and its success could scarcely have resulted in any material effect on the campaign.

A dispatch from Cape Town, dated Thursday, Feb. 8, says the foreign military attaches will leave tomorrow. Their destination is not given, but, presumably, they will join Lord Roberts, whose whereabouts have not yet been made public.

It was said today that one of the first steps to increase the home army will be the raising of thirty-seven new horse and field batteries, with barracks on Salisbury plain and the addition of the third battalion to numerous regiments, which at present are without them.

BRITISH LOSS WAS 50 MEN

By Associated Press to The Sun.

KOODOESBERG DRIFT, Feb. 8.—This morning the infantry still remain in the old position. General Methuen ordered a retirement to the Modder river which is now proceeding.

The British losses were fifty men.

MOLINEUX'S GUILT

Osborne Declares That He Has Proved it

Strong Plea From the Prosecuting Officer—He Says Prisoner's Counsel Could Not Deny Testimony

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Manhelm Brown, the juror whose illness yesterday prevented the resumption after recess of the trial of Roland B. Molineux, had today quite recovered from his indisposition and the trial proceeded, Assistant District Attorney Osborne resuming his argument for the prosecution.

Mr. Osborne began by explaining the functions of a coroner's court and told of the inquest into the death of Mrs. Adams. He complimented himself upon the "upright and impartial manner in which he conducted that investigation" and in alluding to Mr. Weeks he spoke of him as "one of the most experienced criminal lawyers in the United States. Mr. Osborne referred to the indictment found by the grand jury and told the jury that they were to consider that indictment and the finding of the coroner's jury merely as accusations.

"I tell you this," he said, "because I want to be fair to this defendant. But you have a right to take into consideration the fact that the prosecuting officer called David N. Carvalho, the handwriting expert before the grand jury because he believed Mr. Carvalho's evidence would enable them to find an indictment against the defendant. Despite the evidence of Mr. Carvalho, the grand jury indicted the defendant and this is why Mr. Carvalho was not put on the stand by the defense."

Mr. Battle of counsel for Molineux protested at this statement.

"The prosecution," Mr. Osborne went on, "has brought the plainest proof before you that General Molineux's son wrote the Bornot letter and the address on the poison package. The defence has put in no witnesses to contradict the testimony and the presumption that the defence cannot refute it is a part of the people's case."

Molineux sat back in his chair with his eyes fixed on Mr. Osborne. He started when counsel said: This defendant has been charged by the prosecuting officer with murder and his wife has been charged with some connection with Bornet," but Mrs. Molineux never moved. She sat, leaning on her husband, listening to every word counsel said.

Mr. Osborne continued his arraignment by calling the jury's attention to the number of experts who testified to the handwriting on the Bornet letters, the pills in package and the other disputed documents, and then declared that the great crowds of friends and associates of Molineux would have adorned the criminal court building to testify, if it had been possible for them to testify that Molineux did not write these documents.

"You would have seen," he said, "when these thousands of friends of Molineux had so testified, the district attorney ask the court to dismiss the charge. But he isn't innocent and not one man in America will swear that he did not address the poison package."

Counsel referred to the charge made by witnesses against Mrs. Molineux when Miss Blanch Cheeborough and declared that Mr. Weeks had not called witnesses to refute those charges because he could not.

"Why did he not call Mrs. Bellinger?" he shouted. "I should have liked to have seen the scene in this court when I cross-examined her. But she was not called. You know why."

SET ASIDE

TESTAMENT OF MARY ROACH NOT ADMITTED TO PROBATE.

Judge Lawton has handed down a decision in the probate court in the will case of the late Mary Roach, sustaining the claim of the relatives and sets aside the will, which left all the property of the deceased to St. Patrick's Home for Young Women in this city, controlled by Rev. Michael O'Brien.

CAPE COD CANAL BILL

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—A bill was reported to the house permitting the Boston, Cape Cod & New York Canal company to issue $12,000,000 worth of stocks and bonds on the completion of the canal across Cape Cod. There is an amendment which provides for this amount of stocks and bonds, no matter what the canal costs in dollars and cents.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE.

The appropriations committee held another star chamber session last evening and talked with Assistant Auditor Sullivan. The next meeting to be held on Saturday, will probably be the last.

Mr. La Forest Beals, formerly of the street department, who recently returned from his southern trip has engaged in the coal business with E. A. Wilson since the first of the month.

A supper and entertainment will be held in Old Fellows' hall, Merrimack street on Saturday evening. Supper 6 to 8 p. m.

QUIET IN CONGRESS

Little Business Was Transacted Today

No One Prepared to Discuss the Financial Bill—Effort to Call up the Quay Case

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Upon the assembling of the house today, it was agreed that when the house adjourned today, it be to meet on Monday next. Mr. Payne then moved that the house take a recess until 8 o'clock tonight. This motion was opposed by those interested in claims, this being the day set aside under the rules for the consideration of private bills.

Mr. Payne (N. Y.) said he made the motion because many members desired to attend the funeral of General Lawton this afternoon and the house would be without a quorum if the regular business was proceeded with.

Mr. Loud (Cal.) offered a way out of the tangle by moving to adjourn.

Although the majority was in favor of the motion upon a rising vote, when the roll was called the motion was defeated—86 to 159.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Payne and it prevailed—107 to 15.

Accordingly at 1.20 p. m., the house recessed until 8 o'clock tonight, the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

IN THE SENATE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—When the senate convened today Mr. Allison presented the credentials of his colleague, John P. Gear, re-elected senator from Iowa for a term of six years from March 4, 1901. The credentials were filed.

Very little routine business was transacted before the financial bill was laid before senate. The senators who were expected to address the senate on the measure were absent temporarily and after a brief lull in the proceeding, Mr. Hoar suggested "Question, Mr. President."

Mr. Chandler, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, said: "If the senator from Tennessee (Mr. Turley) was in his seat, I would call up the Pennsylvania senatorial case. I have refrained from pressing the case, as I was informed all the time would be taken by the finance bill, but if the senate is not prepared to go on with the lending bill, I will ask the senator (Mr. Turley) to proceed with the Quay case."

No senator having indicated his desire to discuss the finance bill, the senate at 1.05 p. m., on motion of Mr. Aldrich, adjourned.

THE BRITISH WERE REPULSED

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Monday, Feb. 9.—Col. Plumer's forces, February 2, attacked the Boer position near Rhenosta and after heavy fighting including an endeavor to take the place by storm, the British were repulsed. Their loss is unknown. No Boers were injured.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

TELEGRAPH OPERATOR OUT OF WORK BECAME DESPONDENT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 9.—F. A. Conant, 35 years of age, a telegraph operator, whose home is in New Haven, Ct., committed suicide this morning at the Bay State House, by cutting his throat with a razor. Despondency is said to be the cause of the man's action as he has been looking for work in this city for about two weeks.

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MUSEUM.....The Girl from Maxim's
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SPECIAL NOTICES

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LOCAL NEWS

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NEXT SATURDAY IS QUARTER DAY AT WASHINGTON SAVINGS' BANK, 4 PER CENT. 273 CENTRAL STREET.

LONG TALK.

The last in the series of song-talks given by Miss Neuhaus of Boston was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George F. Richardson, with an attendance of about 50. The talk was on the modern composers of the different countries with selections from their compositions.

FAREWELL PARTY.

Miss Eva Shepard gave a farewell party at her residence Wednesday evening in honor of her guest, Mr. Frank McVicker, who is about to sail for Europe. A large gathering of their friends were present and were entertained at whist. A dainty lunch was served.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

A feature, for the next few weeks, in the local Young Men's Christian association gymnasium will be the basket ball league formed by the Scarlets, Crescents and Silver Stars. Some fast and interesting contests are looked forward to, as the teams are evenly matched in strength and experience. The first of these games will be played on next Saturday evening, Feb. 10th between the Scarlets and Crescents. On the same evening at 7.45 o'clock the regular association team will play the Winchester Young Men's Christian association team. This new team showed up well in practice last evening and will no doubt render a good account of themselves in the contest with Winchester.

The association league games are as follows:

Feb. 10—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
Feb. 17—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
Feb. 24.—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.
March 3.—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
March 10—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
March 17.—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.

MAYOR CROWLEY

DECLINES TO PRESIDE AT THE PRO-MEETING.

Mayor Crowley has notified the committee in charge of the Maude Gonne pro-Boer meeting that he will not preside at the meeting. Consequently Joseph Smith will preside.

PAINTERS—DECORATORS

ELECTED OFFICERS AT WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—At today's session of the convention of the National Association of Master Painters and Decorators, amendments to the constitution were adopted. Officers were elected as follows: President, Francis F. Black, Philadelphia secretary and treasurer, Joel Kennedy; members of the executive board, J. B. Hand, Brookline, Mass.; Alexander Grant, Providence, R. I., and others. Buffalo was chosen at the next meeting place of the convention, the date to be fixed later by the executive board.

TWO CHAMPIONS

WON IN THE RACQUET TOURNEY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Two champions won their matches in the semi-final round of the amateur national championship racquet tournament in the B. A. court yestrday. Quincy A. Shaw, Jr., the American premier, defeated Payne Whitney 15-4, 6-15, 17-15 and E. H. Miles, the champion court tennis and racquet player of England won from Potter 15-1, 15-1, 15-6.

Thus when Miles and Shaw meet on saturday in the nals, the international championship laurels will be at stake and a hot match is promised, as both men are developing their best form.

SAVOY THEATRE

Lovers of vaudeville, that is vaudeville coupled with the artistic skill of its exponents will do well to visit Lowell's "parlor theatre,"—the Savoy—before the week's end. The program has been selected with great care by the managers, Messrs. Mack and Dempsey, who never allow a turn to go upon the Savoy stage unless one of them or both have seen the house.

The storm of last night did not detract from the attendance and among those present were an unusually large number of store clerks, principally young ladies, who seem to take kindly to refined vaudeville as given at the Savoy for many of them attend the performances weekly.

Miss Marguerite Starr, a very prepossessing prima donna soprano sang herself into the good graces of her auditors and she was at her best in the selection of the "Holy City," in which she gave an impersonation in very effective contralto followed in sweet soprano voice of rare purity and tone. The range and penetrativeness of her voice coupled with the softness and rhythm are wonderful and every performance adds to the numbers of her admirers. The following are among the other clever artists who appear: H. S. Ricel and Nellie B. Chandler, O'Brady's Election; Herbert and Willing, "Coondom Craze"; Craig and McDonald, original musical sketch, "The German Blunders;" Farnum & Seymour, "Shadow and the Colonel;" C. E. Killingbeck & T. J. Madden, illustrator and bell tenor, late of West's Big Minstrels; Fritz, Leslie & Eddie, Novelty Pantomine Act, "The Enchanted House."

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

AGAIN WORKING

Men Who Were Discharged From Tannery

RESULT OF CONFERENCE YESTERDAY

Another Conference to Decide Wage Schedule

A conference was held yesterday afternoon at the American house between Mr. E. L. White and a special committee representing the employes of the tannery. As a result of the conference, which lasted two hours, about 60 men who were temporarily discharged on Monday morning, returned to work today.

Hon. C. D. Palmer and Mr. Barry of the state board of arbitration, were present but did not participate in the meeting, as their presence was not exactly necessary in view of the fact that both sides were disposed to be agreeable. The wages paid in Lowell were compared with those paid in Danvers and in other cities in Massachusetts, and in this connection the committee set forth the desires of the leathers workers. Nothing definite in way of agreement on a new schedule was reached and it was finally decided to have another conference next Tuesday afternoon.

At this conference the wage question will certainly be settled. Both sides agree that where there is a dispute over wages, it is to be left with the state board of arbitration, or to another board consisting of three members, one of them to be selected by the committee, another to be selected by the White Brothers and the third to be chosen by the two men selected. Both sides agree to submit to any decision that shall be made by the board.

LOWELL MAN

NOW LECTURING THROUGH CANADA AND NOVA SCOTIA.

The lectures by Prof. John A. Nicholls in Orange Hall, on Monday and Tuesday evenings were largely attended. On Monday evening the hall was crowded to the door by an enthusiastic and patriotic audience, and the lecture on the War in South Africa, which was graphically illustrated, was frequently and heartily applauded. On Tuesday evening the subject was the Passion Play of Oberammergau, a subject of deep religious interest. The lecture was preceded by a trip to Boston showing the splendid service of the Plant Line and a visit to places of historic interest in that city. The lectures of Prof. Nicholls are not only entertaining but educational and instructive.—Nova Scotia Free Lance and Westville News.

TO TEST THORITE

A DUMMY BATTLESHIP WILL BE BLOWN UP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The navy ordinance department has constructed at Indian Head, on the Potomac River, a structure resembling the hull of a ship, which it is proposed to attack with thorite with a view to testing the efficiency of that high explosive in naval warfare. The point to be tested is whether a thorite shell will penetrate the ordinary armor plating of a battle ship and explode in the interior. The experiments on this line will probably be made very shortly.

In the tests which have been planned at Indian Head, the ordnance officers will use ten-inch shells loaded with thorite against eight-inch armor.

FARMERS INSTITUTE

AT TYNGSBORO ON WEDNESDAY NEXT.

The Middlesex North Agricultural society will hold a farmer's institute at Tyngsboro Wednesday forenoon next beginning at 10.30 o'clock. Isaac Damon of Wayland, a member of the state board of agriculture will speak in the morning upon "Milch Cows and Dairy Farming." In the afternoon the question box will furnish topics for discussion. Dinner at noon. Both session will be opened by musical selections by local talent. The electric cars leave Lowell every 10 minutes in the forenoon; every half hour in the afternoon.

MIDWINTER FETE

ANOTHER LARGE ATTENDANCE AT THE SACRED HEART HALL.

The second night of the midwinter fete in the Sacred Heart parochial school hall in aid of the church building fund, attracted another large gathering last evening. The entertainment was given by the members of the Young Men's Catholic Lyceum, a new organization recently formed in the Sacred Heart parish, who presented the laughable comedy "Back from Klondike." Those who assumed characters in the cast were: Jos. W. Murphy, Edward Slattery, Jas. McLaughlin, James Pagan, John Murray, John Devine, John Clark, James Breen, Peter A. Clune and George Daley. The audience was kept convulsed throughout the presentation of the comedy, principally by the antics and droll sayings of Jas. McLaughlin, as "Stub McKenna." Edward Slattery as "Casey," John Murray, the Jew and Peter A. Clune as the Spaniard. Vocal selections were given by George Daly baritone, who was encored for his able rendition of "My Little Georgia Rose," James Breen, in "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom," song, Peter A. Clune, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep;" "My Hannah Lady" John Murray; Joseph W. Murphy, "I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby," coon melody, Mr. Chas. A. Carey. The affair was under the directorship of Mr. Joseph W. Murphy and reflected great credit on the skill and tact of the young man as well as his co-laborers of the Lyceum who made their initial appearance in the dramatic line such a grand success.

The festival will be continued tonight and tomorrow night.

MOTHER GOOSE PARTY.

At a meeting in the Kirk Street vestry last evening arrangments were made for the coming fair which will be in the nature of a Mother Goose party with corresponding costumes, table decorations, etc. The officials and attendants were selected.

A DELIGHTFUL TEA.

Mrs. Addison Putnam Jr., gave a tea at her residence 19 Nesmith street in honor of her sisters, Mrs. Wiley and Mrs. Hurlbut of Chicago, and Mrs. La Croix of Lynn. Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large attendance. The following ladies assisted: Mesdames Putnam, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. George F. Richardson, Mrs. H. P. Jefferson, Mrs. Harry A. Brown, Mrs. Harry Burrows, Mrs. Frank P. Putnam, Mrs. Walter J. Dearly, Mrs. E. N. Burke, Mrs. A. B. Merrill.

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STEAMER ASHORE

The Gate City of the Oceanic Company

ON THE OUTER BAR AT NEW YORK

Has 3000 Bales of Cotton Aboard

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The steamship Gate City of the Ocean Steamship company went on the outer bar, three miles east of the Moriches Life saving station Long Island, about 9 o'clock last night. There was a dense fog at the time and it is said the steamer was driven hard into the sand which forms the outer shoal. At present she is lying easy in a comparatively smooth sea.

The Gate City had on board forty-nine persons, three of whom were women. When she went aground her whistle signalled to the life saving station and they at once launched a surf boat. They found the vessel in no great danger but the captain of the life savers volunteered to take off the passengers. The women decided to go ashore and they were taken to the beach and given possession of the station house. The surf boat immediately put out again to the stranded steamer with the intention of bringing any of the male passengers ashore that desired to be taken off.

The Gate City is lying in the sand in a sea that is steadily rising and she will be in a dangerous position in case of a storm. The surf boats will probably lie alongside the steamer during the remainder of the night unless she is floated.

The Gate City has 3000 bales of cotton on board.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The vessel ashore, it is now learned, is the Ocean steamship company's steamer Gate City, command of Captain Lewis. She sailed from Savannah Feb. 6, for Boston. A surf boat which went out to the steamer from the Moriches life saving station returned soon after midnight with three women on board.

LABOR UNIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY THOMAS F. CONNOLLY RESIGNS HIS POSITION.

The Weavers' union held a regular meeting last night at which a communication was received from Mr. Thomas F. Connolly who has been ill for some time resigning the office of financial secretary which he has ably and acceptably filled since the union was organized. It was known that Mr. Connolly was an overworked man before he was taken ill and it was feared that he would be obliged to relieve himself of some of his responsibility. His resignation, however, came as unpleasant news to the members. Under the circumstances there was nothing to do but accept it and the temporary secretary was instructed to send a message of thanks to Mr. Connolly.

Miss McMullin was elected temporary financial secretary for one week. At the next meeting a permanent successor to Mr. Connolly will be chosen and it is hoped that all the members will be present.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Brogan, who gave the union a detailed account of the recent Lonsdale disturbance.

The committee appointed to interview Agent Kerr will see him early next week on the questions which have been under dispute for some time.

PAINTERS' UNION.

The newly formed Painters' union met last night and elected the following permanent officers: President, William Bulmer; vice president, John Thompson; recording secretary, M. A. Gilligan; financial secretary, John J. Dolan; treasurer, George Jameson. The charter has been received and the charter list consists of 50 names.

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GEORGE SEDDON RUN OVER BY MILK WAGON.

George Seddon ten years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Seddon of Cottage Street, Collinsville, was run over by a milk wagon belonging to Mr. McDonald of Pawtucketville on Wednesday. Young Seddon was crossing the street and in attempting to get out of the way of Kittredge's grocery team he stepped into the path of Mr. McDonald's milk wagon and was knocked down, two of the wheels passing over his body. He was painfully injured about the back. Dr Welch says that no serious results will follow.

William Tyrrell of Upland street is a candidate for auditor on the democratic ticket.

William Bolten, who sailed for England about two months ago, has written a letter to his brother, Peter Bolton of Stadion street. William is in London, and states that he is to return to this country soon.

The new switch board in the engine room of the Colins mills was completed this week.

JUROR BROWN BETTER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Late last night it was stated at the Astor House that the condition orf Molineux's juror, Manhelin Brown, had improved and that he would probably be able to take his place in court today.

EXPLORER STANLEY ILL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the African explorer and Unionist liberal member of parliament for Nlorth Lambah, was taken suddenly ill with gastritis in the house of commons Wednesday night and is in a somewhat serious condition.

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NINE WERE KILLED

In a Rear End Collision in Michigan

Felch Mountain Train and Fast Freight Collide—The Cars Telescoped and Burned

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ESCANABA, Mich., Feb. 9.—Chicago & Northwestern passenger train No. 21, known as the Felch mountain accommodation, which runs between this city and Metropolitan, was wrecked in a rear-end collision with a freight train at Ford river switch at 6.30 last night. Nine persons were killed, three are reported missing, five seriously and four slightly injured. The dead are:

W. I. Hill, baggageman of the accommodation train.

William Dillon, brakeman on accommodation train.

Miss Seymour, section P, Michigan.

Charles Martin, Escanaba, civil engineer.

George R. Black, Escanaba, civil engineer.

Sam Green, Negaune.

Two unknown men.

Unknown woman, body charred beyond recognition.

Fast Train No. 259, north bound, from Green Bay to Ispanning was making about 50 miles an hour when it passed Narenta for Ford river switch seven miles west of this city.

The engine was forging ahead through a blinding snow storm, which made it impossible to see signal lights except a short distance ahead. When within 300 yards of the switch at Ford river, Engineer James Green saw the rear lights of a train directly ahead and with a warning cry to his fireman, Cole Nye, jumped. The next instant the heavy freight struck the passenger coach of the accommodation and telescoped it and the baggage car ahead. Flames soon enveloped the cars and made the work of rescue doubly hard.

EVANGELIST GEIL

Gave an Interesting Sermon Last Night

LIVELY TALK ON SIN AND SINNERS

Large Gathering at First Baptist Church

Evangelist Geil evidently intends that there shall be no "prayer meeting snores" under his preaching. Like John, the subject of his opening sketch last night, he is a furious driver. At the second meeting, held in the First Baptist church, there was a pretty good attendance in spite of the rain, indicating that had the weather been inviting, the church would have been packed to suffocation. Rev. L. W. Staples opened the meeting.

Mr. Geil's sermon was peculiar. It can't be reported, because action, facial expression and gesture had much to do with its effectiveness. The text was from the 9th chapter of Kings, 20th verse, "He Driveth Furiously."

The subject announced for the evening, "A Painted Face" was dropped after the first illustration, drawn from the story of the death of Jezebel, under the wheels of Jehu's chariot. The story was told in a dramatic manner, with remarkable descriptive power, in the first part. Then coming to the point where Jezebel looked out of the window, he said: "And when Jehu saw that woman with a painted face, he said 'Whoa!' Kings could not check him in his mad career, but when he saw a woman with a painted face, he promptly said 'Whoa!' When you are in the very moment of achievement, expect to see a painted face. Many a warrior has been stopped within one inch of victory. It was a painted face. Look out."

The words of the text served as the keynote to the remainder of the address. The reason Jehu was a furious driver, was that he had the command of God ringing in his soul. The Lord Jesus Christ was the most furious driver this world ever saw."

The speaker then told the story of Christ driving the devils out of a man into a drove of swine. The owners of the swine, the evangelist said, wanted Jesus to leave the country because his religion was too expensive. "They wanted no man saved at the rate of 4000 hams to the man. There is an amazing amount of ham religion on this planet today and you have got some of it in Lowell. Pure, unadulterable ham religion. Stack up your hams, 4000 of them, and place a man there and you will take down the hams and let the man go down to be eternally lost. You are willing to have people saved in this city but you want it done cheaply. We do not purpose to have it interfere with your business or social interests and engagements. You are willing that men should be saved if they can be saved at the rate of a dollar apiece; but how many of you are willing to pay 5000 hams for a revival of religion?

"I see that some of you do not like that. I am glad of it. One thing has troubled me all day. I lived hot shot here last night and everybody seemed to like it. You went away and said, 'Wasn't that nice? He made a good hit.' What was hit. No one that ought to have been because if that had been so, you would have been down on the preacher, and gone off and talked about him and that would have advertised the meetings.

"If I cannot help men to be saved in my own town, I have got no business to be in Lowell; and if you cannot lead people to Christ in Lowell, if you cannot get anybody converted under the shadow of your own home, the heathen are bad enough as they are, without your going to them.

"A rut is a grave with both ends knocked out. There are lots of people who must go a slow pace as long as they stay in the ruts that their grandfathers' chariots wore. We are preaching the same gospel as then but nowhere does God command a man to drive in the same rut as his grandfather. If I can reach a man by way of his head, heart or liver, I am after the man, and I am willing to transfer the starch to the laundry."

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Washington Commandery held its regular meeting last night and made arrangements for some good times in the future as laid out by the good of the order committee. Lady Frances Ellen Morrison presided for the first time as noble commander.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. I. O. O. F., had its regular meeting in old Odd Fellows' hall, last evening and received two applications. During the meeting the first degree was worked on three members. The ordinary routine business was transacted.

Court General Shields, F. of A., had its regular meeting in Foresters' hall last evening. The membership list took quite a boom, 35 applications being received. The court is making arrangements for a smoke talk which will be held on the evening of Feb. 22.

Bay State Colony, Pilgrim Fathers, transacted routine business at their meeting in Bay State Hall last evening and there was a large number present despite the rain. On account of the state of the hall, the clambake which was to have been held last evening was postponed to Thursday evening, Feb. 22. It was also decided to have a dance in addition.

At the meeting of Passaconaway Tribe, Red Men last night arrangements were completed for attending the special service in the Central M. E. church next Sunday night. The members will meet in their hall at 6 o'clock and march in a body in regalia to the church. Rev. Mr. Meredith will preach a special sermon.

The entertainment committee of Loyal Victoria lodge, I. O. O. L. M. U., has arranged for a supper and entertainment in old Odd Fellows' hall tomorrow evening.

The complimentary dance which was to have been held in Mathews hall last night was postponed for one week on account of the small attendance resulting from the bad weather.

COMING MINSTREL SHOW.

One of the notable social events of February in Westford will be a minstrel show to be held in the town hall the 15th under the auspices of the Graniteville boys. Joe Wall has the affair in charge and in such hands it could be nothing but a great success.

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Just think of it, from 50c to $1.00 a week will buy any of these phenomenal bargains.

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Every garment reduced about one-third of former prices.

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Remnants all linen Crash Toweling at 5c yard.
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New Black Dress Goods arriving daily.
Another lot of those 98c Comforters (nothing to equal them.)
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We are giving the best trades at our linen counter ever known. Come and see our Bleached and Half-Bleached Table Linen at 25c, 39c, 49c, 59c, 69c, up to $1.50 a yard.
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A BOER VICTORY

NIGHT EDITION

SIX O'CLOCK

BULLER

Driven Across Tugela for Third Time

BOER HEAD LAAGER, Thursday, Feb. 8—The British who were in possession of the Kopje at Molensdrift abandoned it after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela river to their former position.

A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

ARMORED TRAIN WAS ATTACKED

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HEAD LAAGER, LADYSMITH, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7.—AN ARMOR-SORTIE FROM CHIEVELY TOWARD COLENSO AND LANDED TWO THOUSAND BRITISH TROOPS ON THE RIGHT OF THE BOER POSITION. THE BOERS IMMEDIATELY CROSSED THE RIVER AND MADE AN ATTACK WITH RIFLES AND ARTILLERY, FORCING THE WITHDRAWAL OF BOTH THE TRAIN AND THE TROOPS TO CHIEVELY.

THE FIGHTING ON THE UPPER TUGELA RIVER LASTED UNTIL 3.30 YESTERDAY (TUESDAY) EVENING. PARTICULARS ARE LACKING.

FIRING AT BOTH COLENSO AND ALONG THE UPPER TUGELA HAS BEEN PROCEEDING SINCE FIVE O'CLOCK THIS MORNING.

LONDON GETS NO MORE NEWS

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—4 a. m. All the messages from the observers with Gen. Buller throw in a phrase or two about the "strength of the Boer positions," and the "difficulties of Gen. Buller's war," but they do not carry events beyond Tuesday evening. Their last slender narratives leave the British advance on Vaal Krantz in the centre of a semi-circle where the troops are exposed to the Boer artillery on both sides and in the centre.

The fighting continued until 9 Tuesday evening and, almost without doubt continued Wednesday, as the Boers would certainly not leave this wedge into their lines unmolested. It is also inferred that General Buller must either continue his advance or retire.

The heaviest fighting appears to have been on Tuesday. General Buller's 233 casualties are mentioned as having occurred before Tuesday noon. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. The casualties already reported bring the total British losses to 10,244 killed, wounded and captured.

The disposition here is rather to minimize the importance of the fighting in Natal and to suggest that this is only an incident, placing hope upon expected decisive engagements in northern Cape Colony and upon the invasion of the Free State by Lord Roberts. At all events this is the official view.

The public does not like these waits and there is sharp anxiety for further news.

In Cape Colony General MacDonald has had a skirmish with a thousand Boers at Koodooberg. This was on Monday. The Boers have been taking the offensive against Gen. French near Rensburg, as well as against Gen. Gatacre in the Stormberg hills.

A supplementary army estimate, to March 31, was laid pro-forma before the house of commons yesterday but was not made public. It is reported that the call is for £30,000,000, which would make the cost of the war up to date £200,000,000. The maintenance of 200,000 men at the front, it is estimated, costs between £8,000,000 and £10,000,000 per month.

BOER ATTACK ON THE BRITISH

By Associated Press to The Sun.

KOODOESBERG DRIFT, Feb. 8.—The Boers yesterday made a determined attempt to drive the British from a hill commanding the drift. Mounting two seven-pounders at the northern extremity, they shelled the position intermittently the whole day. Seaforth Highlanders gained a position on the rocky summit and kept up a sustained rifle fire, but suffered somewhat from the Boer's shelling. A battery was sent and succeeded in silencing the Boer fire. Meanwhile two companies of the Argyll Highlanders advancing along the plain in a westerly direction, found the Boers entrenched at a small drift. A sharp engagement followed lasting the whole day.

General McDonald now only required sufficient troops in order to completely surround the Boers. General Babington was despatched from Modder river with a large force of cavalry and two horse batteries but failed to reach here, although he started early enough in the day to enable him to get here early this afternoon.

FROM LADYSMITH BULLER INVISIBLE

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Ladysmith dated Tuesday, Feb. 6, says: "Little can be seen of Gen. Buller's action owing to the haze. It appears that the Boers have withdrawn their big guns from the hills here southward. A large force of Boers still remains and the garrison is prepared for a night attack.

WAR IN ZULULAND

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DURBAN, Feb. 9.—A large force of Boers attacked Nordwend in Zululand and destroyed the public buildings. They took numerous prisoners. A force of volunteers with artillery has been despatched thither to support the scouts and to oppose a further advance by the Boers.

NO WORD FROM GEN. BULLER

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—There is still no news of General Buller's doings reaching yesterday. A despatch dated from Frere Camp, Thursday, Feb. 8, but probably written within the advanced lines, Wednesday, Feb. 7, and sent to Frere by runner says: "The forces of the enemy are on both our flanks and continue to render our position extremely difficult to maintain."

Beyond the fact that General Buller started Wednesday to bring more artillery and troops across the Tugela nothing is known of his movements but that he badly needed reinforcements is evident from the foregoing from Frere. It is still more patent that it is impossible for him to advance till the artillery has been enabled to take up forward positions for the purpose of subduing the Boer guns on both flanks. Upon the length of time occupied by this occupation depends the durance of General Bullers maintenance of the defensive. It is reasonable to suppose that the guns and reinforcements were in position yesterday and that another attempt to advance is now progressing or at least that the bombardment preliminary to the actual movement of the troops is in progress. In the meanwhile, news is awaited with very great eagerness.

Almost all the critics now point out that the mere pushing through to Ladysmith without securing a decisive victory on the way there would only add danger to what is already a critical situation.

Another Frere Camp dispatch says a Boer prisoner asserts that the Burghers expected General Buller to cross at Skiots Drift and that thousands of Boers were being posted at Donkdorf to oppose such a passage, while on the captured hill there are only a few hundred Johannesburgers. This tends to increase the anxiety of those who believe that General Buller has scarcely begun the serious part of his advance, though encouragement is gleaned from the news that the heavy naval guns, after repeated attempts, during which the mules rolled down the hill, have succeeded in reaching the summit of Zwarts Kop, whence they are doing excellent practice.

General Hector MacDonald's retirement from Koodoesberg has created disappointment. But, the operation was, apparently only intended as a sortie and its success could scarcely have resulted in any material effect on the campaign.

A dispatch from Cape Town, dated Thursday, Feb. 8, says the foreign military attaches will leave tomorrow. Their destination is not given, but, presumably, they will join Lord Roberts, whose whereabouts have not yet been made public.

It was said today that one of the first steps to increase the home army will be the raising of thirty-seven new horse and field batteries, with barracks on Salisbury plain and the addition of the third battalion to numerous regiments, which at present are without them.

BRITISH LOSS WAS 50 MEN

By Associated Press to The Sun.

KOODOESBERG DRIFT, Feb. 8.—This morning the infantry still remain in the old position. General Methuen ordered a retirement to the Modder river which is now proceeding.

The British losses were fifty men.

MOLINEUX'S GUILT

Osborne Declares That He Has Proved it

Strong Plea From the Prosecuting Officer—He Says Prisoner's Counsel Could Not Deny Testimony

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Manheim Brown, the juror whose illness yesterday prevented the resumption after recess of the trial of Roland B. Molineux, had today quite recovered from his indisposition and the trial proceeded, Assistant District Attorney Osborne resuming his argument for the prosecution.

Mr. Osborne began by explaining the functions of a coroner's court and told of the inquest into the death of Mrs. Adams. He complimented himself upon the "upright and impartial manner in which he conducted that investigation" and in alluding to Mr. Weeks he spoke of him as "one of the most experienced criminal lawyers in the United States. Mr. Osborne referred to the indictment found by the grand jury and told the jury that they were to consider that indictment and the finding of the coroner's jury merely as accusations.

"I tell you this," he said, "because I want to be fair to this defendant. But you have a right to take into consideration the fact that the prosecuting officer called David N. Carvalho, the handwriting expert before the grand jury because he believed Mr. Carvalho's evidence would enable them to find an indictment against the defendant. Despite the evidence of Mr. Carvalho, the grand jury indicted the defendant and this is why Mr. Carvalho was not put on the stand by the defence."

Mr. Battle of counsel for Molineux protested at this statement.

"The prosecution," Mr. Osborne went on, "has brought the plainest proof before you that General Molineux's son wrote the Barnet letter and the address on the poison package. The defence has put in no witnesses to contradict the testimony and the presumption that the defence cannot refute it is a part of the people's case."

Molineux sat back in his chair with his eyes fixed on Mr. Osborne. He started when counsel said: "This defendant has been charged by the prosecuting officer with murder and his wife has been charged with some connection with Barnet," but Mrs. Molineux never moved. She sat, leaning on her husband, listening to every word counsel said.

Mr. Osborne continued his arraignment by calling the jury's attention to the number of experts who testified to the handwriting on the Barnet letters, the poison package and the other disputed documents, and then declared that the great crowds of friends and associates of Molineux would have stormed the criminal court building to testify, if it had been possible for them to testify, that Molineux did not write these documents.

"You would have seen," he said, "when these thousands of friends of Molineux had so testified, the district attorney ask the court to dismiss the charge. But he isn't innocent and not one man in America will swear that he did not address the poison package."

Counsel referred to the charge made by witnesses against Mrs. Molineux when Miss Blanch Cheatborough and declared that Mr. Weeks had not called witnesses to refute those charges because he could not.

"Why did he not call Mrs. Bellinger?" he shouted. "I should have liked to have seen the scene in this court when I cross-examined her. But she was not called. You know why."

SET ASIDE

TESTAMENT OF MARY ROACH NOT ADMITTED TO PROBATE.

Judge Lawton has handed down a decision in the probate court in the will case of the late Mary Roach, sustaining the claim of the relatives and setting aside the will, which left all the property of the deceased to St. Patrick's Home for Young Women in this city, controlled by Rev. Michael O'Brien.

CAPE COD CANAL BILL

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—A bill was reported to the house permitting the Boston, Cape Cod & New York Canal company to issue $12,000,000 worth of stocks and bonds on the completion of the canal across Cape Cod. There is an amendment which provides for this amount of stocks and bonds, no matter what the canal costs in dollars and cents.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE.

The appropriations committee held another star chamber session last evening and talked with Assistant Auditor Sullivan. The next meeting to be held on Saturday, will probably be the last.

Mr. La Forest Beals, formerly of the street department, who recently returned from his southern trip has engaged in the coal business with E. A. Wilson since the first of the month.

A supper and entertainment will be held in old Odd Fellows' hall, Merrimack street on Saturday evening. Supper 6 to 8 p. m.

QUIET IN CONGRESS

Little Business Was Transacted Today

No One Prepared to Discuss the Financial Bill—Effort to Call up the Quay Case

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Upon the assembling of the house today, it was agreed that when the house adjourned today, it be to meet on Monday next. Mr. Payne then moved that the house take a recess until 8 o'clock tonight. This motion was opposed by those interested in claims, this being the day set aside under the rules for the consideration of private bills.

Mr. Payne (N. Y.) said he made the motion because many members desired to attend the funeral of General Lawton this afternoon and the house would be without a quorum if the regular business was proceeded with.

Mr. Loud (Cal.) offered a way out of the tangle by moving to adjourn.

Although the majority was in favor of the motion upon a rising vote, when the roll was called the motion was defeated—86 to 159.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Payne and it prevailed—107 to 45.

Accordingly at 1.20 p. m., the house recessed until 8 o'clock tonight, the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

IN THE SENATE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—When the senate convened today Mr. Allison presented the credentials of his colleague, John P. Gear, re-elected senator from Iowa for a term of six years from March 4, 1901. The credentials were filed.

Very little routine business was transacted before the financial bill was laid before senate. The senators who were expected to address the senate on the measure were absent temporarily and after a brief lull in the proceeding, Mr. Hoar suggested "Question, Mr. President."

Mr. Chandler, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, said: "If the senator from Tennessee (Mr. Turley) was in his seat, I would call up the Pennsylvania senatorial case. I have refrained from pressing the case, as I was informed all the time would be taken by the finance bill, but if the senate is not prepared to go on with the pending bill, I will ask the senator (Mr. Turley) to proceed with the Quay case."

No senator having indicated his desire to discuss the finance bill, the senate at 1.05 p. m., on motion of Mr. Aldrich, adjourned.

THE BRITISH WERE REPULSED

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PRETORIA, Monday, Feb. 9.—Col. Plumer's forces, February 2, attacked the Boer position near Ramansta and after heavy fighting including an endeavor to take the place by storm, the British were repulsed. Their loss is unknown. No Boers were injured.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

TELEGRAPH OPERATOR OUT OF WORK BECAME DESPONDENT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 9.—F. A. Conant, 35 years of age, a telegraph operator, whose home is in New Haven, Vt., committed suicide this morning at the Bay State House, by cutting his throat with a razor. Despondency is said to be the cause of the man's action as he has been looking for work in this city for about two weeks.

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Today all of the new shapes that have appeared in Derbys, Fedoras and "College Golf" Hats are here.

This is a most attractive display of Spring headwear in both soft and stiff hats, the colors and shapes being identical with those shown this week in New York.

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THE SUN LATEST! 5 O'CLOCK

PATTEE'S ELECTION

As City Messenger Pronounced Illegal

A Sun representative has consulted a lawyer in regard to the election of city messenger and has found the most conclusive evidence that Joseph E. Pattee holds the office illegally, for the reason that he secured votes by trades with councilmen in lieu of the appointments of elevator man and assistant janitor.

The trade for elevator man was admitted by the councilman who made it and who has even gone so far in his ignorance of the law as to threaten legal proceedings against Mr. Pattee for refusing to carry out the agreement by leaving the appointment of elevator man to him under the provisions of the trade.

The law upon this matter as stated by the gentleman consulted who by the way has had long experience in practice upon such matters is as follows: Acts of 1898, Chapter 548, Section 283 of Corrupt Practices Act: "No person shall, in order to aid or promote his own nomination or election to a public office directly or indirectly by himself or through another person, promise to appoint, or promise to secure or assist in securing the appointment, nomination or election of another person to a public position or employment, or to a position of honor, trust or emolument, except that he may announce or define what is his choice or purpose in relation to an election in which he may be called to take part."

This, it is very plain, covers the case in point with the utmost precision. The supreme court has decided in numerous cases that any official securing election by such means cannot be regarded as holding office legally and can be removed by an appeal to the courts. Moreover, the trade for elevator man is not the only one which can be proved against Mr. Pattee. The assistant janitor of city hall was also appointed under an arrangement with a councilman in lieu of his vote and his influence. Consequently on this point alone, Mr. Pattee can be removed from the office and in consequence, Mr. Fagan is still legally city messenger.

But there is another consideration which enters into the matter, as affecting the legality of Pattee's election. In chapter 415 of the acts of 1895, section 7, it is provided as follows: "Neither the city council nor either branch thereof, nor any committee or member thereof, shall directly or indirectly take part in the employment of labor, etc."

This makes it quite clear that the councilmen who traded with Mr. Pattee for the appointments of elevator man and assistant janitor of city hall violated this provision of the charter. Consequently they are subject to the penalty of the law on this point alone in addition to the violation of the corrupt practices act quoted above.

Hence the lawyer which The Sun representative has consulted, pronounced it absolutely certain that Mr. Fagan has still a right to claim his salary, and that Mr. Pattee can be removed beyond a doubt by an appeal to the courts.

It remains now with Mr. Fagan or the democratic party to take the proper steps to vindicate the law. This information will be a surprise to some of the republican officials who have so far forgotten the provisions made by law to prevent corruption in the election or appointment to public office.

It is high time that councilmen should know that it is a violation of the statutes to trade their votes in lieu of getting friends appointed to office. The councilmen who enter into these trades and corrupt practices had better be relegated to private life, as their presence at city hall is an injury to the city inasmuch as they use their influence to load the city pay roll with their personal friends, heelers and favoyites. It is time that such abuses were stamped out, and it rests now with Mr. Fagan to expose the corrupt methods by which Mr. Pattee has entered the office of city messenger and in which several councilmen are equally implicated.

BAD EMBANKMENT

A Miniature Landslide on First Street

INTERFERES WITH LAWRENCE TRAFFIC

Hanson's Barge Utilized in Passenger Service

The Lawrence line of street railway is handicapped somewhat today in making schedule time by a landslide at the First street embankment, a short distance from the huge stone wall so well known to patrons of that route.

Every winter since the inception of the road, more or less difficulty has been experienced by a miniature landslide from the embankment a short distance from the car house. The landslide completely covers the street railway tracks temporarily obstructing all travel. Today Hanson's large barge is being utilized to convey passengers from electric cars at either end of the landslide and thus the travel to and from Lawrence is made continuous.

A street railway official was seen by a Sun reporter relative to the condition of affairs on First street and was informed that it is a matter that cannot be remedied.

In years past the official stated that the street railway company has been put to considerable expense in removing the dirt from the tracks caused by the slide. Every spring after the frost thaws out, a hard slide follows and comes without any warning whatever, and all that the railroad company has to do is to meet it.

Quite frequently after the tracks have once been cleared other slides follow in quick succession causing vexatious trouble.

When the tracks were first laid along the Lawrence line the street railway company was compelled to lay rails on that side of the street.

MESSENGER PATTEE

APPOINTS AN ENGINEER AND AND ASSISTANT.

City Messenger Pattee this noon stated to a reporter of The Sun that James McGann, engineer of the boilers at city hall has resigned. Joseph Richards, who was Mr. McGann's assistant, has been appointed engineer and John Barrett will take Richards' place.

FR. GIGAULT'S CONDITION.

At noon today the condition of Rev. Frederick Gigault, O. M. I., was reported as improved over that of last night when he had a very bad spell.

Miss Alice Gertrude Coram, and Miss Stella Mabel Freson, who have been in New York for the last two weeks, are expected to arrive in Lowell today.

The Poverty and Character Party of the Mohair Plush Company at Prescott hall tonight will be a unique event.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Jas. T. Smith's Woman's Suffrage Bill Heard

THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION TO IT

Boston & Albany Decate Was Continued

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—The committee on election laws gave a hearing yesterday morning on the petition of James T. Smith of Lowell to extend the suffrage in cities to such married women as possess the qualifications required of male voters. Mr. Smith appeared in favor of granting the petition, and advanced the arguments usually given in favor of woman suffrage, with the additional suggestion that the present petition and bill provided that the experiment should first be tried with married women, and if it was found to work well it could then be extended to include all women. There was no opposition.

IN THE HOUSE.

Mr. Crosby of Arlington presented the following petitions in remonstrance: Martha M. Huntington and others against the Lexington appropriation for the 125th anniversary of the battle; and of G. D. Pine, Emma S. Merriam, Frank D. Brown and others against the same.

The petition of William H. Locke in relation to a metropolitan street commission came down from the senate in concurrence, the senate having referred the matter to the committee on cities.

On the amendment offered by Mr. Turtle to his order for an investigation of the Boston & Albany lease, Mr. McNary said he had not tried to put the railroad commission in a false position.

The commission is used to answering a great many questions and questions having a legal aspect. If that commission feels that it is unable to answer it can ask for the assistance of the attorney-general. Chairman Jackson has been offered a position on the bench of the superior court. The members should get all possible light on this subject and the railroad commission is the one to furnish it.

THE SENATE.

The senate took from the table the house order authorizing an investigation of the workings of the state highway and bridge, which was rejected without formalities by the committee on roads debate.

The committee on election laws reported adversely on a bill introduced by Michael J. Sullivan of Boston providing that after nominated papers have once been filed for certification before the election commissioners of Boston, they shall not be withdrawn.

The public charitable institutions committee reported against a bill introduced by Mr. George of Cleveland to provide that $7 a week instead of $5 be allowed by the state for the support of a person in a city or town hospital.

President Eliot of Harvard university was the star witness before the committee on cities to advocate Representative McCarthy's bill for a city employes' retirement fund. Dr. Eliot said that there were objections to other than a compulsive measure; and he cited the pension system in vogue at Harvard as very useful in securing the men.

It was necessary to open the doors into the corridors to relieve the crush in the gypsy moth commission room, charges of jugging in the returns being made by an employe.

Handsome prizes at Mohair Poverty ball tonight.

LAID AT REST

Funeral Of the Late Governor Goebel

THE CORTEGE WAS A LONG ONE

10,000 People on the Streets

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 9.—Rain came down in sheets yesterday while the funeral services were being held over the body of Kentucky's dead democratic leader. Until 9 o'clock the morning was dark and cloudy, but the sun came out then and there was promise of a pleasant day.

At the hour of the formation of the funeral procession, however, rain began to fall and shortly after the noon hour, when the parade was on the march, the floods began to descend. There were dry intervals, but just as the hearse left the Capitol hotel, a heavy shower began, which continued all the afternoon.

The crowd in the cemetery was much smaller than it would have been had the weather been pleasant, but the exercises there were carried out to the letter, and last night the body of William Goebel lay in the chapel of the Frankfort cemetery, after one of the greatest demonstrations ever seen in this state. When the weather clears sufficiently the casket will be consigned to the grave.

It had been feared trouble might arise between the soldiers in the capitol grounds and democratic partisans on the line of march, when the parade passed the capitol square, but nothing of the kind occurred. The soldiers were kept back on the level in front of the capitol building, and sentries were posted in front of them to prevent them from going near the fence when the parade was passing.

Orders had been issued on the democratic side that no comments should be made by the men in the parade as they passed the grounds. For 24 hours all the saloons had been closed. The day passed without any exhibition of feeling on either side.

Early in the morning the arrival of people to witness the funeral began, many of them coming in buggies from the country. Special trains came in from Georgetown and Lexington and other places, but the large crowds came on the regular trains from Louisville and Cincinnati. Fully 10,000 persons were on the streets to watch the funeral. The body lay in state in the parlor of the Capitol hotel until 11 o'clock, and more persons viewed the remains yesterday morning than Wednesday.

The procession began to form at 11 o'clock on Wapping street, headed by police, members of the city council, city officials, Grand Marshal David R. Murray and his aides. Then came members of different societies and citizens on foot.

The march to the cemetery from the hotel began at 1 o'clock. The band played "Nearer, My God, to Thee," as it passed the south front of the hotel. After the band came carriages containing the honorary pall bearers, who were as follows:

J. C. S. Blackburn, Gen. J. H. Lewis, Judge W. S. Pryor, the Hon. J. B. McCleary, Gen. Phil B. Thompson, the Hon. James H. Mulligan, Louis Desseognets, Samuel J. Shackleford, J. D. Rhynock, J. W. Pugh, Zach Phelps, W. R. Hellman, Charles B. Poyntz and Morton K. Yonts.

Beside the hearse walked the active pall bearers. These were:

Jack Chinn, Chas. G. McCord, Ed. Fennell, James M. Richardson, Henry George, Eph Lillard, Willard Mitchell, Charles M. Lewis, John L. Grayot, John K. Hendrick, John Fulton, Dry Woodson, Joe Blackburn, Jr., Allie W. Young, R. B. Franklin and Percy Haley.

SENATOR BLACKBURN'S SPEECH.

In his speech at Gov. Goebel's funeral, Senator Blackburn made a thrilling speech which was in part as follows:

"The treacherous and bloody act is done. The most arch deed of piteous massacre that ever yet this land was guilty of. Goebel is dead, but that which he stood for and that which he died for, still lives. Some men in their deaths render greater services to the cause they advocate than it was possible to do in life. The shot that struck Goebel down sounded the death knell of the political organization of his opponents for all time in Kentucky and in its effects will reach to the limits of this land. That this cruel deed was the natural result of the fierce contest from which he had just emerged none can deny. The fierceness of the light that had been waged against him, for malignancy and unfairness has no precedent in the history of our country. 'Tis but just to him to say that the patient courage, the forbearance and dignity that has marked the conduct of his followers was largely due to the example which he had set them."

"Twould be but poor satisfaction to see the miserable tools and instruments made use of in his murder give up their lives to an infuriated populace. Be patient and neither the perpetrators nor yet the most guilty planners of this foul crime will escape the penalty that the law provides. You need not fear for failure of discovery. No crimes like this can be concealed.

"The universal manifestations of sorrow among our people give painful evidence that your leader has fallen. Be not discouraged. The world's history proves that a leader fit to succeed him will not be lacking. Exalted as were his properties of leadership, the demand of the situation will furnish us another. From the ashes of Wm. Goebel let there spring a champion of the people's cause. The brunt of the battle that he waged needed only a continuance of his efforts to crown it with success and that result was reached more speedily in his taking off.

"Revolting as were the methods employed to compass his destruction, there were features connected with the end that tend to comfort and reconcile us to it. He had given the high commission to reclaim his state and to redeem his people. And this work he had nobly done. The full measure of his ambition had been attained. Dying, he attested by his smile, the satisfaction of his soul when the oath of office was administered and he breathed his last listening to the prayers that his people, grateful for their deliverance from the domination of anarchists and assassins, sent with his unfettered spirit into the presence of his God."

The speaker closed with a warm and feeling tribute to the good qualities of the dead leader.

FOUND GUILTY

Peter Bowers of Larceny of Bottles

Five simple drunks appeared before Judge Hadley this morning. One was released. Arthur Arthseault and Charles Whitney were assessed $3 each and John Britton was fined $7. James Quinn came to the police station last evening and asked to be locked up. He said he was a stranger in this city and did not have any home. His Honor sentenced him to the state farm at Bridgewater.

Fred Broyers, charged with assault and battery on Caroline Broyers, pleaded not guilty and was defended by Daniel J. Donahoe, Esq.

The complainant, Mrs. Caroline Broyers, was the first witness and she testified that she lived in West Fourth street and carried dinners to her aunt in the Boott mills. On the day of the alleged assault she arrived at the mill at twenty minutes of twelve and while passing through the mill, defendant struck her in the face with his hand. Complainant is a sister-in-law of defendants.

Mrs. Lafoune, an aunt of plaintiff's was next placed on the stand and her testimony in part was as follows: "I work in the Boott mill and on this day of the alleged assault I saw defendant put his hand on the plaintiff's face but I did not see him strike her. I was working at my loom at the time and could not see everything that was done.

At this point the court thought that there wasn't enough evidence against the defendant, and the court, therefore discharged him.

The continued case of Peter J. Bowes charged with the larceny of 100 empty bottles from a junk wagon, the the property of Joseph Steverlein was found guilty by the court and ordered to pay a fine of $10.

Remember Poverty Character Party, Prescott hall, 25 cents.

DEATHS

TANNER—Mr. George Tanner died last night at his home, 31 June street, aged 48 years and 5 months. He was born in Frome, England, and had been a resident of Lowell nearly 30 years. He is survived by a widow and two sons, Benjamin, an employe of the Bigelow Carpet works, and Thomas, a musician. The deceased had many friends in this city. He was a man of kind and generous disposition, always ready to assist, quietly and quickly, in time of trouble.

FUNERALS

KANE—The funeral of Francis Kane, infant son of Patrick and Annie Kane, occurred yesterday afternoon at three o'clock from 7 Court avenue and interment was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of J. F. O'Donnell.

SHRIGLEY—The remains of the late Edward Shrigley were consigned to their final resting place in the Catholic cemetery yesterday morning. The funeral which took place from his late home, 76 Newhall street, at 8.30 o'clock was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the deceased. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Thomas Murphy, O. M. I. The church choir rendered appropriate selections. Miss Adelaide Sullivan presided at the organ. The bearers were Edward Rock, Patrick Green, Joseph McEvoy, James Gorman, Thomas McCann and Thomas Sexton. Rev. J. P. Reynolds, O. M. I., read the service at the grave and interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. H. McDermott.

PROPER—The funeral services of Sarah A. Proper, wife of Abram A. Proper, were held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the office of Undertaker Currier. Rev. Mr. Fisher officiated. The remains were forwarded to Natick for interment.

CURRIE—The funeral services of Jane C. Currie were held yesterday afternoon at 79 Bartlett street, Rev. Mr. Craig officiating. Mrs. Leggott sang. Interment was in the Edson cemetery in charge of C. M. Young.

DARBY—The funeral services of Leon A. Darby, son of Albert and Kate Darby, were held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at 25 Tanner street. Rev. Mr. Matthews officiated and interment was in the Edson cemetery in charge of C. M. Young.

Mohair Poverty ball, Prescott hall, tonight.

LOWELL ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

The prominent features of next Sunday's recital at Odd Fellows' hall will be the appearance of Miss Gertrude Edmunds, one of the most noted contraltos of Boston, who is so well known throughout New England that only the mere announcement is necessary for the lovers of genuine musical talent to turn out in full force. Also, Mr. Roland Huxley, the young but brilliant violin virtuoso, who commenced playing in the orchestra in short parts, and Mr. Wm. F. McAloon's stirring march, "Military Echoes." Mr. McAloon's many friends who intend to be present will be pleased to hear the Sousa-esque-like strains of his composition played by an orchestra of 50 pieces, and will be proud that Lowell has a composer of such genuine ability. The orchestral selections are of a very pleasing character and the recital will be one of the best.

Reserved seats for 25 cents are now on sale at Austin's music store, Bridge street, and there are choice seats left.

MOB OF MINERS

PREVENTS HARVESTING OF THE SUGAR CANE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FORT DE FRANCE, Island of Martinique, Feb. 9.—(Via Haytien cable).—There have been grave happenings here. A mob of about 1200 miners has since Monday last, been preventing the harvesting of sugar cane. The movement is tending and troops have been sent in all directions. An infantry post of 25 men was attacked, and fired on its assailants, killing nine men and wounding fourteen.

In the Commune of Le Francois two incendiary fires have occurred on plantations.

GEN. OTIS

IS COMING FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—After the new Philippine commission reaches Manila in April next, Maj. Gen. Otis will return to the United States.

It is stated in administration circles that his return is not in the nature of a recall, but is a compliance with the general's own request, that he be allowed to visit his family.

He has been in the east nearly two years and is anxious to come home.

It is extremely probable that he will be succeeded by Gen. MacArthur, who is now in next command, although some officer may be sent from the United States.

BROWN HANGED

For the Murder of Policeman Gebhardt

THE OFFICER WAS SHOT AND KILLED

While Trying to Arrest the Man

By Associated Press to The Sun.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Feb. 9.—James K. Brown, who shot and killed Policeman Charles Gebhardt of Hoboken on July 26, 1898, was hanged in the Hudson county jail this morning.

James K. Brown was 37 years old. He had served a term in prison for robberies before he was arrested for the murder of Policeman Charles Gebhardt of Hoboken. On July 26, 1898 Gebhardt, in plain clothes saw Brown pull the bell of a house after calling at other houses. Brown had been inquiring for a room. The police think he was making observations with the intention of committing robberies. Gebhardt went up and arrested Brown, who drew a revolver and shot the policeman, who fell dead. Another policeman got the prisoner to a police station. Brown said he came to Hoboken looking for work and had shot in self-defence. Appeals from the conviction were taken to the supreme court, the court of errors and appeals to the United States court. The main ground of the appeal was an objection to the trial by a struck jury.

A ROBBER KILLED

By the Men He Tried to Rob

HE OPENED FIRE ON THEM

And They Lovelled Revolvers on Him

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—A lone robber, well dressed, with money in his pockets and with a silk mask to cover up his features, was shot and killed in C. H. Woerner's Park pavilion on West Madison street late last night by Frank Barum, a lawyer, and Edward Sommerfeldt, a bankeeper.

The dead robber was 38 years old, five feet 11 inches tall, weighing 170 pounds, dark complexion, gray eyes, brown hair and moustache streaked with gray. His derby hat and clothing were marked with the names of New York firms, while the letters "R. S." were marked on the dead man's linen.

Besides Sommerfeldt and Barum there was only one other person in the saloon when the robber entered. The robber commanded them to throw up their hands. Resistance was offered and in the struggle the robber fired twice at his victims, one of the bullets taking effect in Sommerfeldt's arm. Barum then managed to wrench the revolver from the robber. Sommerfeldt, in the meantime had secured his revolver and both he and Barum fired several shots at the robber, who fell dead at their feet.

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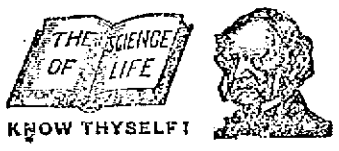

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SUNDAYS, 8.43 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.36, 6.28, (6.45, w6.50, 7.51, *7.59, *8.25, 9.24, *9.48, w9.57, (12.15, w9.57 *9.59, w10.50, 11.03, *11.12 a. m.; p.m.; w12.02, 12.16, w12.45, 1.44, w2.50, (3.03, w3.10, *3.41, w3.55, 4.28, w5.15, 5.22, (6.04, w*6.15, *6.24, 7.00, *7.10, w9.35 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 7.30, 7.39, w8.15, 8.48, 9.13 a. m., w12.05, w4.00, 4.26, w5.30, 5.38, w7.25, p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.23, w6.50, z7.34, w8.30, w9.25, 10.05, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, w2.30, w3.50, 4.19, w5.16, w6.15, w7.40, w9.25, w10.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, w8.15 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30, w7.25 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.34 a. m.; w12.05, 1.23, w5.15, 6.53 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.34, 8.30, 9.25, 10.00 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.05, w5.13, 6.15, 7.03, 9.23, b11.23 p.m.

SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.23 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 5.15, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.23, z7.34, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 5.15, 6.15 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.55 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, z7.34, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.55 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m., for Somersworth and Portland.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 6.15 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30, a. m; 12.05, 6.15 p m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.; 5.15 p. m., ex. Saturday for Belfast and Rockland.

SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John's, N. B., Halifax, N. S., Montreal and Quebec, 5.15 p. m. (5.15 does not connect Saturdays.)

SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland), on (Mondays, for St. John only) and Thursdays, at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Bridgewick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland) Tuesdays and Fridays at 5.15 p. m.

For Woburn, 6.23, 7.34, *8.48, 11.03 a. m.; 1.13, 4.25 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.; 4.25, 5.53 p. m.

For Ayer and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 5.01 and 6.42 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 2.16 p. m.

For Ambrose, Milford and Wilton, 9.12 a. m.; 1.03, 3.41, 6.10 p. m.

SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.12 a. m.; 3.41 p. m.

SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.32, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, 1, *1.40, 3.41, *5.30, 6.27, *8.10, *8.40 p.m.

SUNDAYS, 10.00 a. m.; (to Nashua only) 3.08 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, 8.13, 8.40 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.12, *9.40 a. m.; 12.12, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.10, *8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, N. H., Claremont and Charemont Junction, 7.10 a. m.; 1.40 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *9.40 a. m.; *1.40, *8.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Jct., Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal, via Central Vermont line, *9.40 a. m.; *12.12, *8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line, *9.40 a. m.; *1.40 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth, and Sherbrooke, *9.40 a. m.; *8.40 p. m., ex. Sat.

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THE SUN EXTRA! 6 O'CLOCK

THE TROOPS

Vacillating Between the Two Parties and Two Executives--Situation at Frankfort

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 9.—The Commercial has received a telegram from ex-Gov. Bradley who appeared before Federal Judge Taft on behalf of the minor republican state officers disclaiming bad faith on the part of the minor state officials in regard to the arrangement under consideration by Gov. Taylor in regard to the governor and lieutenant governor. The telegram which is dated at Cincinnati follows:

"Minor candidates all say they were not parties to any agreement either in person or by attorneys and that any charge of bad faith is untrue and without the slightest foundation. They were not even consulted about the agreement now proceeding between the claimants for governor and lieutenant governor.

W. O. BRADLEY.

SITUATION LAST NIGHT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 9.—Unless some action regarding the Louisville agreement is taken by Gov. Taylor today, or some word sent to them concerning his intentions, the democrats will organize their state government at Louisville. A conference was held here last evening at which Gov. Beckham, Senator Blackburn, S. J. Shackelford and John K. Hendrick were present. The delay of Gov. Taylor in declaring himself regarding the Louisville agreement was discussed at length and it was agreed by all present that the democrats had waited long enough. One day more will be allowed for some intimation from Gov. Taylor.

Gov. Taylor announced last night that he had not taken action regard- the agreement and that there was no possible chance of his doing so before tomorrow. He would not say whether he would take any action today or not. It is desired that the agreement will not be accepted by Gov. Taylor as it stands. He desires more specific promises regarding the repeal of the Goebel law and a decision in the gubernatorial contest by a separate vote of the two houses. By this latter, the democrats say they will not agree. They claim that no mention was made of a repeal of the law in the Louisville conference.

Not a democratic member of the legislature was here yesterday to attend the funeral, and last night Governor Beckham, Gen. Castleman and other democratic leaders returned to Louisville.

The report that orders had been issued to arrest members of the legislature who might come to town yesterday was denied by Gov. Taylor.

The application for a permanent injunction restraining Gov. Taylor from interfering with the sessions of the legislature in Frankfort and from convening at London was not heard yesterday at Georgetown. The matter went over until today.

The troops are vacillating in their allegiance between two parties and two executives.

THE LEGISLATORS FEAR ARREST

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Ky., Feb. 9.—Representatives and senators whenever they gather at the different hotels and on the streets discuss the situation earnestly. That warrants for the arrest of absent members was the subject before the recent executive sessions seems now certain.

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the House said: "If I am sent after members, I certainly will bring them in. There will be no dallying about it."

Representative Stack said: "A fight is certainly before us and the sooner it comes, the better."

Representative Haswell said: "This is a body which respects the feelings of grief that have been engendered through the death of Mr. Goebel. There is no desire to compel absent members to attend sessions before the funeral was over."

Representative Heissman said: "We have something up our sleeves now, but I can't tell what it is."

Senator White said: "We were in executive session for the transaction of business and what took place I refuse to say. I am under oath not to talk."

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the House and Mr. Howard of the senate have held several conferences. Mr. Cecil said he had no warrants in his pockets, but further than that he evaded any answer.

The following telegram has been sent to Gov. Taylor:

"We, the undersigned representatives of the people in the 13th district of Kentucky desire to state that we are unalterably opposed to the signing of any agreement looking to the surrender of the offices to which the entire republican ticket was honestly and fairly elected.

(Signed) SENATOR DYE,
REP. WALTON,
REP. BENNINGFIELD.

DEMOCRATS HELD ANOTHER MEETING

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 9.—The democratic legislature met again today in pursuance of the plans adopted early in the week. In the senate 20 members, one more than a quorum, were present.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of Gov. Goebel were adopted and the senate adjourned until tomorrow.

In the house, repeated roll calls failed to disclose more than 40 members two less than a quorum. The published report that warrants had been sworn out at Frankfort for the arrest of enough democrats to make a quorum for the legislature in session at London, caused quite a flurry for a while, but the morning passed without any interference.

NO CHANGE IN THE SITUATION

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 9.—There was no change in the situation here today. Governor Taylor spent the night at the home of a friend in Frankfort, having left the executive building for the first time since the Goebel assassination. It was late in the morning when he reached the office and then he declined to make a statement of any kind. D. W. Fairleigh and Judge Barr of Louisville, two of the republican parties to the Louisville conference, arrived this morning. They will hold a conference with Senator Blackburn and also with Governor Taylor. It is possible that some statement regarding the Louisville conference may be made before night.

TWO SUSPECTS ARRESTED TODAY

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FRANKFORT, KY., FEB. 9.—TWO MEN SUSPECTED OF COMPLICITY IN THE MURDER OF GOVERNOR GOEBEL WERE ARRESTED IN A BOARDING HOUSE TODAY. THE MEN'S NAMES ARE SILAS JONES OF WHITELEY COUNTY AND A GOTTSCHALK OF NELSON COUNTY. THE MEN ARE SAID TO HAVE SLEPT IN THE EXECUTIVE BUILDING FOR A TIME AND THEY WILL BE KEPT IN CONFINEMENT UNTIL SOMETHING MORE DEFINITE IS KNOWN AS TO THEIR WHEREABOUTS AT THE TIME OF THE ASSASSINATION. BOTH MEN STRONGLY DENY ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE MURDER.

GYPSY MOTH

SAID TO HAVE BEEN PLANTED BY DESIGN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—More testimony in opposition to a further appropriation for the destruction of the gypsy moth was presented to the special legislative committee yesterday morning.

W. S. Frost of Belmont, owner of a farm of 40 acres, said that he had exterminated the moth with paris green. He found a colony of moths on his estate and kept it from the knowledge of the gypsy moth commission in order to test the efficacy of paris green. A liberal application of this kind of poison was given and every moth was killed.

"I thoroughly believe," said Mr. Frost, "that colonies of gypsy moths have been planted by employes of the department. I say this as they are found in places so far from the infested district that they could not have been carried in any other way."

The committees representing the Portuguese population of Lowell, in connection with the arrangements for their church fair, met last Tuesday night and owing to their priest, Father Dimenal of Boston being very sick and he being their organizer in regard to a new parish in Lowell, it was voted to postpone the date for the bazaar until further notice.

Mohair Poverty and Character Party at Prescott hall tonight.

A HERO'S BURIAL

Body of General Lawton Laid at Rest

President McKinley and Cabinet and High Dignitaries Attended the Services—Impressive Service Over the Remains of the Hero of Three Wars

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Major General Henry W. Lawton was buried today in the national cemetery at Arlington. The services at the grave were preceded by those at the Church of the Covenant in this city where President M. W. Stryker of Hamilton College, in New York, delivered the funeral oration.

Never in the history of the capitol has there been a more representative gathering of the nation's official life to pay a last tribute to the nation's honored dead. No mark of military pomp and ceremony that the regulations could provide was wanting to render the occasion solemn and impressive. Nearly all the available troops of the regular establishment remaining in this country were called out. Three thousand men, infantry, cavalry and artillery, followed the flag-draped caisson to the grave. But mere official formulae were dwarfed beside the deep popular demonstration that the burial of the dead soldier called forth. Every department of the government paid its official tribute. Flags were hung at half mast. The president and his cabinet, representatives of the supreme court, of the house and senate and of the army and navy all combined to fill the darkened church to its utmost. But these official representatives of the people were lost in the great crowds that surrounded the church and lined the streets along which the procession passed.

A great out-pouring of citizens filled the streets long before the hour when the services at the church of the covenant were to commence over the hero whose remains had lain in state under military guard during the silent watches of the night. Soft lights were burned about the chancel where flowers were piled railing high while the casket was buried beneath a load of roses, lilies and white carnations that overflowed their narrow resting place and fell in a perfumed avalanche to the floor. The guard cavalry men from Lawton's old command, stood at each end of the catafalque, silent and motionless as uniformed statues and the hush of the silent church was broken only by the soft tread of those who entered with bowed heads to pay their last silent tribute to the brave dead.

President McKinley was among the earlier comers, accompanied by the secretary of war. They came to the church with Adjutant General Corbin, who, assisted by Col. Bingham, had charge of the official arrangements. The secretary of the navy, the secretary of the interior and the postmaster general, the attorney-general and the secretary of agriculture were also there. Admiral Dewey is absent from Washington, but he was represented by Capt. A. S. Barker. The supreme court was represented by Chief Justice Fuller and several of the associate justices. Ex-Secretary Alger was also present by proxy, having sent from Michigan Victor Mason, his secretary, while in the war department, who brought a great wreath of flowers for the already overladen casket. The military committees of both houses were present as well as all the senators and members who gained access to the church. Army and navy officers in uniform filled most of the forward pews and a press of citizens stood up at the rear and in the wide vestibule beyond the doors.

The Presbyterian burial services were read by Chaplain Pierce of Lawton's old command, assisted by Rev. Tennis Hamlin, pastor of the church, and President Stryker then arose to deliver the oration.

The casket, lightened of part of the flowers, was lifted to the shoulders of the troopers and borne down the aisle to the street, past the great crowd outside, when it was raised to the caisson waiting at the door.

The waiting ranks of cavalry moved forward and closed about it as a guard of honor. Orders flung from rank to rank down the crowded avenue brought troop after troop and platoon after platoon wheeling into line. Then, with a rumble of wheels and clash of trace-chains, field and siege batteries joined the procession and the hero of three wars was moved on his last march to his final resting place on the Virginia hillside beyond the Potomac.

MOB OF INDIANS

CRUELLY ABUSE A WHITE MAN NAMED RICHARDSON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAPULA, I. T., Feb. 9.—To make F. G. Richardson, a white lease-holder, promise to leave the country, a mob of Indians placed a rope around his neck and dragged him from his home, 16 miles south of Sapula, to a ravine a mile distant, hauled him up to the limb of a tree and otherwise maltreated him. Richardson was rescued in time to save his life and was brought here for medical treatment. The names of several of the Indians have been reported to the United States authorities at Muskogee. Richardson aroused the enmity of the Indians by refusing to turn over his land to them.

PENSION CHANGES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The following pension changes, resulting from the issue of January 26, are announced:

Massachusetts: Original: William H. Trask, Worcester, $8. Increase: Peter Perry, Mount Auburn, $6 to $8; Franklin Gove, Blackinton, $8 to $10; Henry Shorey, South Boston, $6 to $8; John E. Evans, Cambridgeport, $6 to $8; Charles McCarthy, Lynn, $6 to $8. Original widows, etc.: Martha E. Proctor, Lynn, $8. Reissue and increase: Edmund W. Hawkins, Taunton, $8 to $10.

ERNEST KING DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Feb. 9.—Ernest King, senior member of the firm of E. King & Son, publishers of the Middletown Penny Press, died at his home here today after an illness of nearly three months, aged 73 years.

BERIAH BROWN DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ANACONDA, Mont., Feb. 9—Beriah Brown, probably the oldest newspaper man in the west, died here last night at the advanced age of 81 years. Death was due to old age, superinduced by an attack of grip. Mr. Brown was born in New York state in 1814. He was an intimate friend of Horace Greeley.

STEAMER GATE CITY

IN GOOD CONDITION AND WILL PROBABLY BE FLOATED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The steamer Gate City of the Ocean Steamship company's Savannah line, which went ashore in the fog last night at Great South Beach, lies today inside of the outer bar with her cargo of cotton. There is not much sea running today.

The Misses Lyles of Florida, who were landed from the steamer last night came up to New York by train today. The cooks, waiters and bar tenders were taken off the Gate City in the breeches buoy today.

The Gate City was bound from Savannah for Boston.

Poverty and Character Party at Prescott hall tonight.

UNION MEN

DISCHARGED BY THE BUILDING CONTRACTORS OF CHICAGO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—More union men have been let out by the building contractors because they refused to work under the new rules. The new rules require them to work on Saturday afternoon which they heretofore had as a holiday. All who refuse to work will be paid off and allowed to go. This may tie up all buildings under construction in the city. It was said by the contractors that 75 per cent. of the men who were working a week ago, or about 4000 are now idle through their refusal to be governed by the new rules.

EX-GOV. WOLCOTT

COULD NOT SERVE ON PHILIPPINE COMMISSION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Former Governor Roger Wolcott was asked today about a Washington dispatch printed here this morning saying that Pres. McKinley had offered the ex-governor a position on the Philippine commission. Ex-Governor Wolcott said that it was true that he had had some correspondence regarding the matter referred to in the dispatch but that as he had already formed plans for a trip to Europe with his family during the coming summer, it would be impossible for him to consider such an appointment, even if it were offered him.

DEFECTIVE FLUE

CAUSED A FIRE IN THE CENTRAL HOUSE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ROCKLAND, Mass., Feb. 9.—The Central House of which Neal McLean is proprietor, was partly burned this morning, causing a loss of about $8,000. The fire started from a defective flue and spread through the interior of the place. Mr. McLean estimates his loss at $2,000 on the furniture and the building, of which Donald McKay of Boston is the owner, was damaged to the extent of $6,000.

POLICE NOTES.

The case of John Norris of Tyngsborough, charged with violation of the oleomargarine law, was placed on file.

WANTS INFORMATION.

Chief of Police Davis has received a communication from a John Creighton, of 40 Hill street, Chicago, Ill., asking for information regarding his sister, Mrs. John Gallagher, who came to Lowell about fifteen years ago. He states in his letter that her maiden name was Ann Creighton, and she came from 15 Bennett street, Manchester England. After leaving England, she resided in New York and moved from there to Lowell. Her husband was a tailor by trade and is now thought to be dead. Mr. Creighton would like to receive information regarding her whereabouts.

AN INSANE WOMAN.

Last evening a woman named Kate Maloney, 46 years of age, and residing on the Tremont corporation, came to the police station and complained that some people were trying to poison her. It could be seen from her talk that she was not sane and it was decided to lock her up. She had two bank books with her, showing quite a sum of money she had saved up from her earnings. It is said that she had worked in the Mill most of her life and was a very industrious woman. She is now waiting to be examined by the doctors.

BOY KILLED

AN ELEVATOR WEIGHT FELL ON HIS HEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—R. W. Nye, an elevator boy, was instantly killed here today by a weight from one of the elevator gates which fell on his head, crushing his skull. Nye lived with his parents in Cambridgeport.

PROBABLY LOST

IT IS THOUGHT RUSSIAN STEAM DREDGER FOUNDERED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The new Russian steam dredger Devolant which left the Clyde December 22 for Odessa is overdue and has been given up as lost. It is surmised that she foundered in the channel. There were 19 persons on board the Devolant.

LARGELY ATTENDED SOCIABLE.

The sociable by the Charitable Association of the Highland Congregational church last evening was largely attended notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. Supper was served in the vestry during the first part of the evening, after which a general social time was enjoyed with music and games, to a seasonable hour.

Lowell Orchestral Society

Sunday Afternoon at Odd Fellows Hall. Reserved Seats 25c. Now on sale at Austin's Music Store, Bridge Street.

One of the features of the recital will be the presentation of McAloon's march "Military Echoes," written by one of Lowell's musicians, Mr. Wm. F. McAloon. It has a stirring martial air and has been heard a few times upon the piano-forte by his friends. It has been expressly arranged for the orchestra and his numerous friends will be gratified to hear it as interpreted by an orchestra of fifty performers. In addition there will be the distinguished contralto, Miss Gertrude Edmunds of Boston and Mr. Roland Huxley, the violinist, young in years but very mature in musical ability. The usual band and popular selections by the orchestra will make a very pleasant afternoon. Some choice seats still left at Austin's.

WANTED—Hustling General Agents. Apply to Miller, 20 Appleton street, 8 to 10 Saturday night.

BILLERICA CENTRE

MR. SIDNEY BULL SPEAKS INTERESTINGLY OF HIS SOUTHERN TRIP.

Mr. Sidney Bull and son Leslie returned home from a pleasure tour in the south yesterday noon. They left Billerica Jan. 15 and proceeded to Washington, D. C., where they stayed one week. From there they went to Richmond, Va., thence to Charleston, S. C., and from there through Savannah Ga., to Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. Bull describes his journey in Florida as follows: "I took the boat on the Ocklawaha river and on my journey I saw many alligators, one of which was 14 feet in length. At Silver Springs, the source of the Ocklawaha river we anchored our boat in the small harbor. At the source of the river it is 82 feet deep and I could see the pebbles on the bottom. I was mystified where the water flowed from but I learned that it was a mystery. I was 250 miles south of the Florida line and did not see an orange tree, only the stumps of the trees which were frozen in the winter of '94-'95. Thursday morning, Feb. 1, there was an eighth of an inch of ice on the mud puddles on the streets in Jacksonville, Fla. My son and I also visited St. Augustine and Fort Marion. In the former place we were allowed a privilege seldom granted to people, to visit the cabins used by the Spanish in 1585."

Mr. Bull has brought home two live alligators which are about six inches in length. He has also brought two canes, one of which is polished orange wood, carved by natives, besides silver souvenirs. Mr. Bull and son enjoyed the trip immensely.

There will be a social held in the Unitarian church Friday night. The committee in charge are Miss Carrie Knowles and Mr. Earl C. Davis. The chaperons will be Mrs. John Richardson, Miss Lucy Foster, Miss Annie Dodge and Miss Luella Hutchins.

Following is a very sensible and pertinent communication from a resident of Billerica Centre:

Billerica Centre, Feb. 7, 1900.

Mr. Editor: The citizens of Billerica Centre have presented a very lengthy petition, signed by five hundred of its prominent citizens, to the Lowell and Suburban street railway company for a reduction from a ten cent to a five cent fare. Their grievances cause more discussion in their town than the Boer war. They claim that many of their number are forced to walk a distance of two miles and then to wait in all kinds of weather for late cars, in order to reach Lowell for five cents. Then the registers do not show the directors that they represent the Centre patrons. A family of five who travel daily are about to leave town on this account.

Their neighbors in all the other suburbs are not asked to pay ten cents, five cents down and the other five when half the trip is made. Many prefer to drive to Lowell rather than pay twenty cents for the trip for each member of the family. Those who work in Lowell and travel daily pay five dollars more every three months than the Boston and Maine railroad charges for the same distance. Every one from the Centre working in Lowell and traveling daily for the last five years, has paid into the company three hundred and twelve dollars out of his earnings.

After all, is it any wonder that the authorities of the town are more interested in the five cent fare than a war in Africa?

WILLIAM RICA.

LOWELL HORSEMAN

AND SOME OF THE FAST STEPPERS HANDLED BY HIM.

Jack Carney, the well known horse handler and trainer, of this city, who has been recently employed in Manchester, is now in the employ of ex-Mayor James W. Bennett and is getting into shape the well known fast chestnut colt "Mackie McGregor," by Hood's "McGregor."

"Jack," as Mr. Carney is familiarly called, has had excellent good luck with horses since he first started in, some fifteen years ago, with Frank Harris, now proprietor of Wannalancit Park, North Chelmsford.

After leaving the employ of the latter, Mr. Carney then engaged with the veteran Jake Stone, the well known Granite State horseman. After remaining with the latter gentleman six years Mr. Carney started in business for himself with good success. It might be here stated that during his engagement with Mr. Stone the Lowell man had charge of such fast steppers as Sylvester K., Johnnie Knott and Hi Wilkes. In the year 1898, Mr. Stone as driver and Mr. Carney as handler, with this trio of "flyers" won first money 28 times on New England tracks.

Before coming to Lowell recently, Mr. Carney had charge of the fast steppers at Manchester belonging to P. Harrington. With Bradeaux he started in eleven races, winning nine first, one second and one third money prize. He gave this horse a mark of 2.15.

Elle-Brino started four times by Mr. Carney and finished twice with first money, once with second and once with third money and received a mark of 2.24 1-2.

Mr. Carney also had great success with Daisy Mack, 2.29 1-2; Capt. Cressey, 2.26 1-2; and Young Nelson, 2.29 1-2.

When John Monilon was suspended last season Mr. Carney took the former's string of horses and won a position in every race in which he started. It is among the possibilities that Mr. Carney will be seen in charge of the stables at North Chelmsford track, at least his friends hint it for "Jack" is a hustler from the word "go."

CONFERENCE HELD

BETWEEN MR. WHITE AND COMMITTEE OF TRIKERS.

A meeting was held at the American house yesterday, of Mr. White, representing the American Hide and Leather company and the committee representing the strikers. A member of the state board of arbitration was present. Satisfactory progress was reported and an adjournment taken till next week.

MUSICALE AND SOCIAL.

A very enjoyable musicale and social was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Work, No. 1 Carpet Corporation. A pleasing program given during the evening included mandolin selections by Dr. Snyder, mandolin and guitar trios by the Misses Whitcomb and phonograph selections by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Whittimore. At the conclusion of the program a dainty repast was served, Mrs. G. Bell and Miss C. Worden pouring. After this the evening was spent informally, the festivities continuing to a late hour. Among those present were Overseer Scott M. Bickford and wife, Overseer Edwin S. Eastman and wife, Thomas Collins, superintendent of the Brussels department of the Lowell Manufacturing company, Francis Day of Chelmsford, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parsons of Tewksbury, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Foster, Miss Rose Slye, Mr. and Mrs. John Morse, Charles Hubbard and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Synder, Miss Bertha Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McDuff.

Grand Poverty and Character Party at Prescott hall tonight.

FUNERALS

DONOVAN—All that was mortal of the late Julia H. Donovan was consigned to its final resting place this morning in the Catholic cemetery. The funeral left her home, 19 Butterfield street, at 8.30 o'clock, and was very largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the deceased. There were many out-of-town people present, the most prominent being Mr. Robert Haley and Mrs. Barry of Boston, and Misses Margaret and Mary Phelan of Fitchburg. A mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. Patrick's church by Rev. Fr. Callahan. The choir under the direction of Mr. E. F. Faulkner sang Schmidt's requiem. At the offertory "Pie Jesu" was effectively sung by Mr. Faulkner and at the close of mass Miss Josephine Flinn sang "Hymn of the Sacred Heart." There were many floral tributes, including the following: A large pillow from the Dineen family; large basket of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Slattery; basket of flowers, Dunn family; large wreath, Miss Mary Dunn; spray of calla lilies, Miss Donlan. The pall bearers were Messrs. Edward F. Slattery, Dennis J. Leary, Bernard and William Dunn, Daniel Hurt and George Wilbur. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Callahan. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Peter H. Savage.

ERIE SYSTEM EXTENDING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 9.—President Hill of the Muskegon Independent Telephone company has signed a contract here with Vice President Pottingell of the Erie Telephone system covering the transfer of the independent company to the Erie system before the close of the month. The company operated 600 subscribers and the long distance line connected Muskegon with Grand Rapids and several other sections of western Michigan. The financial consideration is not known.

"JIM" IS DEAD.

"Jim," alias "Jim the Tramp," lawyer Dan Richardson's celebrated St. Bernard dog, which made Merrimack square its abiding place for many moons, died Wednesday of inflammation of the bowels.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Miss Emma Bishop was pleasantly surprised by her many friends at her home on Worthen street last evening, it being the occasion of her twentieth birthday.

The evening was passed in merriment that will be a pleasant remembrance to all present. Games, galore, reigned supreme until refreshments of coffee, cakes and fruits were served; after which music furnished hilarity for those who wish to enjoy the waltz, jig, two-step or cake walk. Miss Bishop was in receipt of many friendly tokens and flowers, one especially beautiful being double carnation pinks amid ferns, representing in number her age. It was early morning when the last who wished her many happy and prosperous returns of the day departed.

SMOKE TALK.

A pleasant entertainment and smoke talk was held by the Elmira Associates last evening at their rooms in the National Bank building, Central street. The entertainment consisted of: Songs, James Carey; duet, James Laler and Francis Honan; recitations, Thomas Halligan; solos, Henry Carr; buck and wing dance, Jeremiah Mack.

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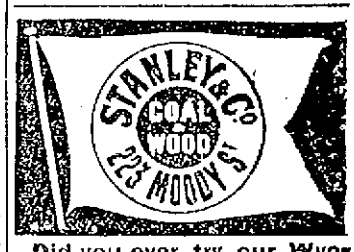

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are paying $25.00 per inch per year for advertising space in Lowell papers, with two thousand circulation. This is at the rate of $12.50 per thousand per year. We do not say that they are not getting their money's worth. If any local paper is worth $12.50 per thousand per year, then THE SUN is worth it. At that rate THE SUN, on its present circulation, would be worth $175.00 per inch, but as we ask but $40.00 per inch per year, you can readily see how cheap THE SUN is as an advertising medium.

We ask but $3.00 per inch per year for each thousand of our circulation. Other local papers ask from $5.50 to $12.50 for the same service.

Do You See the Point?

A GOOD SCHEME FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT.

The joint order passed by the common council to petition the legislature for permission to negotiate a loan of $500,000 to create a fund for the permanent improvement of streets is a step in the right direction.

In order that the public may understand this proposition in its true light it may be necessary to explain it more fully.

The order adopted by the common council is as follows:

Ordered, that the joint committee on finance be and hereby is authorized and requested to petition the General Court immediately upon the passage of this order for authority for the city of Lowell to negotiate a 30-year loan of ($500,000) five hundred thousand dollars for the permanent paving of the streets of said city, and to appropriate annually, from the general treasury fund a sum sufficient to pay the interest on said loan and to establish and maintain a sinking fund to meet the obligation at its maturity.

At first it may seem extravagant to suggest a loan of such a large amount but when we consider that already millions have been spent for the improvement of the public streets without anything permanent to show for the money it is high time to resort to other means.

The sum named would form a nucleus from which the city could draw for the smooth paving of our principal streets in a systematic way, which in time would result in having our streets made permanently good. Statistics of street work and street experiments show that the average cost of maintaining streets in good condition is from 3 1-2 to 5 1-2 cents per yard per annum. The average cost here in Lowell is vastly in excess of this figure and the condition of the streets in spite of the large expenditure is far from satisfactory.

This order is to come before the aldermen at their next meeting and will probably meet with their approval. Then the finance committee will have to draft the measure for submission to the legislature. It rests with the committee whether the bill will designate what streets shall be paved first or whether this matter shall be left to the city council, but judging from the action of the city council in distributing the smooth paving and other street improvements to benefit city officials, it would be well perhaps to incorporate in the measure that the principal business streets shall be first paved. Central street, Merrimack, Prescott, Market, Middlesex, and other streets in the heart of the city require attention, and if this scheme be carried out, they should be the first to be paved, as public convenience and necessity demand.

The loan could be paid by the creation of a sinking fund and the appropriation of a small amount annually to be placed at compound interest for the extinction of the principal.

But perhaps the best feature about this scheme is that it will inaugurate a systematic improvement of our public thoroughfares so that in a few years they will all be in good condition. Then expenses can be cut down as in Dayton, O., and other cities in the west which have secured the best and cleanest streets by methods quite similar to that proposed by Councilman Pickering.

WARD THREE CLUB.

The ward three club is liable to prosecution for usurping the chief cause d'etre of the board of trade in appointing committees to see that the city government shall do its duty. These committees are appointed to take charge of and direct the city government:—streets and sewers—lands and buildings—fire department—parks and commons—water department—overseers of the poor—school department.

But why should the ward three club stop here? Why not appoint a committee to look after the police board and the police department? Why not have a committee to see that City Messenger Pattee delivers the goods on that trade with a republican councilman, that the republican majority of the city council shall cease to play politics at the city's expense. Our city government no doubt needs a guardian and it shows a right spirit on the part of the ward three club to take this method of putting it on the right track.

PATTEE ILLEGALLY APPOINTED CITY MESSENGER.

The office of city messenger has been filled illegally and therefore Mr. Fagan who has been displaced by Pattee is still the city messenger. He has a just right to his salary and Pattee has no right whatever to claim the position inasmuch as he has admitted that he was elected on a trade with a councilman in lieu of votes. There were several trades on his election. None of which secured the position as elevator man, another that of assistant janitor, and so on. Now by what means were these positions secured except by Mr. Pattee's trades for votes. He does not seem to realize that there is a law against trading for votes and that the city charter forbids members of the city council to have anything to do with the employment of labor. The supreme court has repeatedly decided that no official chosen by illegal means can legally hold office. Hence Mr. Pattee is not elected and Mr. Fagan is still legally city messenger and can easily remove Pattee from the office by legal methods.

CRISP GOSSIP

Many of the Lowell Elks went to Boston yesterday afternoon and attended the theatrical entertainment for the benefit of Boston lodge.

This is the shortest month in the year and the last winter month.

Have you picked your valentine yet? Feb. 14, Wednesday next, is near at hand.

The man with the shovel and the sand box is the one that should have poems written about him these days.

A gentleman who might be considered good authority for a guess says that Manchester contains 16,000 or 18,000 people of French Canadian extraction, and between 12,000 and 14,000 people of Irish birth or descent. The census of 1900 will show Manchester to be a cosmopolitan community.

Sleighs are not very valuable property this winter.

The book of Job must be in favor with most of the clergy about this time. One has just lost his charge because he did not announce to his congregation his intention to marry, while another is to be tried for heresy. One of these days some absent-minded beggar will ask, "What is heresy?".

A St. Louis man has made the discovery that a cigar contains acetic, formic, vitric, valarianic, propionic and prussic acids creosote, phenol, ammonia, sulphuretted hydrogen, nicotine, picolene and some other things he does not know the names of. It is quite evident a man gets a good deal for his money when he buys a cigar.

When you have got through wanting anything, it is pretty apt to come.

We all feel like shaking hands with the man who sees that his horse is blanketed and as far as possible protected from harsh weather when it has stood a long while outside.

One of the most annoying persons is the one who claims to understand you and doesn't.

Mr. Roberts' successor will be a Mormon, but not a polygamist. There are Mormons and Mormons, it seems.

Another cold wave coming! Fill up the coal bin.

The small boy who has a skating surface in his yard is the envied of all his fellows, and has many of the rights of a dictator.

Two well known members of a Lowell church choir had a very unpleasant experience last Sunday evening. The matter has been kept quiet but like all good things leaked out. It seems the two young men went to Lawrence on a visit and while enjoying themselves in the company of two fair daughters of Spicketville missed the last car for Lowell. As it was imperative that they should reach home that night the disconsolate duo were compelled to have recourse to "Shank's mare" and footed it to Lowell. The walking was terribly bad, the ground being very "slippery elm" as they afterwards told friends. When half way to Centralville bridge, the "weary Willies" sat down on a stump of a tree and while there met two acquaintances who came over the road from Lawrence. Their spirits grew brighter as they could see visions of a ride the remainder of the distance to the Spindle city. Without waiting for an invitation both of the men with the sweet-toned voices stepped upon the wheels of the vehicle and were about to take a seat therein when the driver hit the horse with the whip, causing the animal to give a lurch, throwing the youths to the ground. As the team began vanishing from view, the driver could be heard exclaiming in stentorian tones, "The Walking is Good." It is this exclamation that now brings a blush to the face of the young men when uttered by friends who are "on" to the cold and weary tramp.

The girls that are wanted are good girls,
Good from the heart to the lips;
Pure as the lily is white and pure,
From its heart to its sweet leaf tips.

The girls that are wanted are home girls
Girls that are mother's right hand,
That fathers and brothers can trust, too,
And the little ones understand.

Girls that are fair on the hearthstone,
And pleasant when nobody sees;
Kind and sweet to their own folks,
Ready and anxious to please.

The girls that are wanted are wise girls,
That know what to do and to say,
That drive with a smile and a soft word
The wrath of the household away.

The girls that are wanted are girls of sense,
Whom fashion can never deceive,
Who can follow whatever is pretty,
And are what is silly to leave.

The girls who are wanted are careful girls,
Who count what a thing will cost;
Who use a prudent, generous hand,
But see that nothing is lost.

The girls that are wanted are girls with hearts,
That are wanted for mothers and wives
Wanted to cradle in loving arms,

The strongest and frailest lives,
The clever, the witty, the brilliant girls,
There are few who can understand;
But, oh! for the wise, loving home girls
There's a steady, constant demand.

It is hoped that Eddie Santry, the conqueror of Ben Jordon, the celebrated English pugilist, will take his recent defeat by Terry McGovern like a man and not claim several mouths hence that he was drugged.

The guests grew weary waiting. Whispers went
The rounds; dark hints of new-arisen trouble;
The groom was nervous and now and then gave vent
To a sigh that bursted as an airy bubble.
The preacher's face the look of wonder caught
Of a Quaker meeting it was a reminder,
As waited they and yet the bride came not
Until her anxious mother went to find her.
She at her mirror, lost in contemplation,
Was practicing a look of resignation.

Any fool man shows up well on the retina of a woman's eye.

A Lowell youth is worried by the fact that when a young man is courting a girl she wants him to spend considerable money on her and yet likes to have him close.

Miss Della Flemming of Paul's Valley, I. T., is only 17 years old and yet she has been admitted to practice law at the bar of the United States court of the northern district of the territory.

The complete disappearance of lockjaw the germ of which is brought to cities in horse fodder, is expected to follow the retirement of the horse.

But few men have self confidence to argue with a pretty woman.

The hardest thing to keep in this world is a diary and a sharp lead pencil.

Many a prosperous man owes his success in life to the advice of his friends which he did not follow.

It depends on the salary a minister draws whether he preaches or officiates.

A man enjoys telling his wife of the girls he made love to in his young days, but let her drop into a reminiscent mood and he immediately proceeds to get mad.

Horses can easily be controlled with an improved bit attachment which comprises two L-shaped levers pivoted on the ends of the bit, with loops for the reins and straps which pass around both jaws a pull on the reins drawing the jaws together to shut off the animal's breathing.

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WITH THE PEPOLE

AGAINST DOG THIEVES.

Editor Sun: I notice that dog thieves are again making themselves conspicuous. If some of the dog owners instead of offering a reward for the return of their lost (?) or stolen dogs would only give a little of their time in hunting down these canine pilferers and see that they are brought to justice as they should be, fewer dogs would be reported as missing from their owners' firesides. There is nothing so contemptible as to steal a dog from a man who has brought the animal up from puppyhood and who treats his dog humanely and between whom strong attachments have been formed. Mr. Editor, you can count on me, one reader of The Sun, who will go out of his way to have a dog thief arrested.

Admirer of Man's Truest Friend.

OVERCROWDED STREET CARS.

Editor Sun: Will you kindly voice the complaint of myself and a number of passengers who ride on the early morning cars on the Chelmsford street route? Instead of running three "jumbo" cars, two small cars and one jumbo are used by the street railway company and the three cars are so crowded that it is with difficulty that the conductor can collect the fares. I and several friends who ride mornings into the city to work over this line have repeatedly failed to secure a seat and have accomplished the feat but once in eight weeks and still we give up our five cents without a murmur. I am not writing this as a "kick" against the railway corporation but simply stating a grievance to which a remedy should be applied at once.

SON OF TOIL.

AIR GUN FIEND.

Editor Sun: I have observed with a great degree of satisfaction the Sun's denouncement of the cigarette habit, and would like to call attention to another nuisance in which the juveniles figure quite prominently. I refer to the boy-with-the-air-gun, who is not content with shooting at cats, dogs and sparrows, but goes about shooting at windows in tenements temporarily unoccupied, breaking glass and in other ways perpetrating malicious mischief with their really dangerous weapons.

The owners of these air guns should have the same restrictions on them as do the owners of weapons in which powder is used.

NUFF CED.

PUBLIC BEQUESTS

IN THE WILL OF HON. OLIVER H. DURRELL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—The will of the late Hon. Oliver H. Durrell of the governor's council was filed for probate at the office of the register at East Cambridge yesterday. It contains $20,000 in public bequests.

The will gives $5000 to the Cambridge Y. M. C. A. in trust, the income to be applied toward the current expenses of the association.

Two thousand dollars is given to the state executive committee of Massachusetts and Rhode Island to be added to their endowment fund.

A similar sum is left to the trustees of the Preachers' Aid society of the New England Methodist Episcopal conference in trust, to apply the income toward the support of worthy and needy preachers.

A thousand dollars is given to the Wesleyan academy at Wilbraham in trust to be known as the Durrell scholarship fund, the income to be used for the assistance of deserving students therein.

A like sum is bequeathed to the New Hampshire conference and female academy at Tilton, N. H., in trust, to be known as the Durrell scholarship fund, the income to be used for assisting worthy students therein, upon the condition, however, that at the decease of testator, Rev. Jesse M. Durrell is still president of the academy; otherwise the said $1000 is to be paid to Wesleyan academy.

The Avon home for destitute children in Cambridge receives $1000 to be added to its permanent fund.

To the trustees of Boston university $7000 is given, the income to be used for current expenses of the institution.

The will provides that if the estate falls short of $100,000, not counting the life insurance, all bequests before made not including a bequest to mother of testator, are to be reduced one-half.

No other public bequests are made, the remainder of the document providing for private bequests.

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50TH. ANNIVERSARY

OF WEDDING OF FORMER LOWELL COUPLE OBSERVED IN HAVERHILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Blake, formerly of Lowell, on Wednesday observed their golden wedding at their home in Franklin street, Haverhill. The residence was thronged with visitors, many being from out of town, including Lowell friends. The joyous twain were married in the Eagle hotel, Concord, N. H., by Rev. Mr. Parker, and not one of the guests who attended that ceremony is now living.

Mr. Blake was the youngest of a family of eight children, and but one other, Curtis R. Blake, of Cornish, N. H., is now living. Mr. Blake was one of nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pearson of Franklin, N. H., and not one survives with her. The young couple first came to this city, where Mr. Blake was engaged in the clothing business for a while, and then in the coal and wood business, and in 1851 they went to Haverhill, where Mr. Blake has since been engaged in the plastering trade. He has been in the fire department for many years, rising to the rank of assistant chief. The marriage has been blest with three sons, Elmer W., Charles E. and Harry Blake, and one daughter, Charlotte M. Blake, who, with two grandchildren, joined in the festivities of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Russell of Cambridge and Mr. and Mrs. R. Hayden of Worcester also assisted in receiving. The ushers were Dr. George A. Spencer, Dr. John H. Preston, F. Jasper Blake, S. A. Jordan, E. O. Quimby, H. A. Rhodes and Bert Knowles. Mayor Chase, members of the city government and city officials were among the guests, as was Samuel Snow of Boston, president of the Forty-Niners' association, Mr. Blake being an enthusiastic member of that organization.

DICK THOMPSON DEAD

WAS SECRETARY OF THE NAVY UNDER HAYES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 9.—Col. Richard W. Thompson died at 1.10 this morning.

Richard Wigginson Thompson, secretary of the navy during the administration of Pres. Hayes, was born in Culpepper county, Va., June 9, 1809. He had passed nearly all the years of his life in Terre Haute and was familiarly known as "Uncle Dick."

He had been personally acquainted with every president of the United States save three, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams. For several years past he had been the only surviving member of the 27th congress.

DEWEY HONORED

With Mrs. Dewey He Attends Banquet

GIVEN BY THE UNION LEAGUE

Of Brooklyn—Many Distinguished Guests Present

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Admiral and Mrs. George Dewey were the guests of honor at a dinner given by the officers, directors and former officers of the Union League club in Brooklyn last night.

The admiral and Mrs. Dewey arrived shortly after 6 o'clock, escorted by Wm. E. Pulsifer, president of the club, and half an hour later the guests numbering over 100 sat down to the banquet. The admiral's flag was conspicuous above the centre of the guests' table.

Admiral Dewey was seated at the right and Mrs. Dewey at the left of the president. At the conclusion of the dinner letters of regret were read from Pres. McKinley, Rear Admiral Phillip, Secretary Long, Assistant Secretary Allen and Gov. Roosevelt.

The health of Pres. McKinley was drunk in silence, also that of the admiral and Mrs. Dewey, after which three cheers and a tiger were given for each.

President Pulsifer in a speech which recited the battle and victory at Manila bay, and sounded the praises of Admiral Dewey, presented him a handsome gold medal.

In response to President Pulsifer's presentation address, Admiral Dewey said: "For this beautiful gift I thank you from the bottom of my heart and wish to say that all my friend, Lieut. Rees, wished for me on a former occasion has been fulfilled. I have the wealth of the world," (pointing to Mrs. Dewey.)

Lieut. Commander C. P. Rees then recited an original poem, eulogistic of the admiral.

Each guest was given a handsome souvenir plate which bore a picture of the flagship Olympia with the portrait of the admiral below, with the inscription: "Manila bay, May 1, 1898."

"You may fire, Gridley, when ready."

At the close of these ceremonies, the admiral and Mrs. Dewey were presented to diners individually, and they descended to the lower floor, where a general reception was held by the club members and their friends, for which 2500 invitations had been issued.

Among those at the guests' table were Lieut. Gov. Woodruff, Mrs. Chas. V. Gridley, widow of Capt. Gridley, Col. and Mrs. Wm. Hester and Geo. Goodwin Dewey, son of the admiral.

MILL OFFICIAL

DIED AT WOONSOCKET YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Feb. 9.—William Henry Magee, for eighteen years superintendent of the Berkeley company of Berkeley, R. I., and one of the best known cotton mill superintendents in New England, died at his home here yesterday, aged 60 years. He was unmarried. He was born in Maine, spent his boyhood in western Massachusetts and had been connected with mills in Uxbridge, Newburyport and elsewhere.

N. Y. YACHT CLUB OFFICERS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The New York Yacht club held its annual election last night and elected the following officers: Commodore, Lewis Cass Ledyard; vice commodore, August Belmont; rear commodore, C. L. F. Robinson; secretary, J. V. S. Oldie; treasurer, F. W. J. Hurst; measurer, John W. Hyslop; fleet surgeon, Morris J. Asch; regatta committee, Nicholson Lane, Chester Griswold and William Butler Duncan, Jr.

The following committee on racing rules and routine was appointed with instructions to report at the May meeting: Ex-Commodore E. D. Morgan, Capt. M. L. Lipptt and Archibald Rogers. The date of the annual regatta will be decided upon at the meeting of the club, March 22.

The following were elected honorary members: Sir Thomas Lipton, Secretary of War, Elihu Root; Captain Hobley D. Evans. Resolutions thanking J. Pierpont Morgan and C. Oliver Iselin for the part they took in the defense of the America's cup were adopted.

MAUDE GONNE'S TOUR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 9.—Miss Maude Gonne, "Ireland's Joan of Arc" addressed an audience at the Hyperion Theatre last evening on the subject of "England's War in the Boer land."

TURKEY SUPPER.

At the Middlesex chapel, Middlesex village last evening was held the annual entertainment and turkey supper under the auspices of the Gentlemen's league society. In the early evening the entertainment presented was a pleasing one. There was devotional exercises and song Rev. Mr. Blanchette; reading, Miss Alice Kelley; photographic selections, by friends; moving pictures closed the entertainment and they were well received. Following the entertainment supper was provided in charge of John Kelley and he was assisted by Joseph Bowers, Henry Smith, Mr. Lenard, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Burton, Mr. Dean, Harry McDonald, Roy Kelley, J. N. Bowers, E. Duran.

MELT TONIGHT.

"Spike" Sullivan and Joe Gans will meet at the Broadway Athletic club in New York tonight for a 25-round glove contest.

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CHELMSFORD CENTRE

AN ENJOYABLE OLD-FASHIONED SPELLING BEE.

The good people of the Central Congregational church, Chelmsford Centre, indulged in an old-fashioned spelling bee last evening and it was a very entertaining affair, as spelling bees always are. Rev. E. C. Bartlett, the popular pastor, gave out the words and to watch the boys and girls attack the words with an air of confidence only to fail, was one of the amusing features of the contest. It did not make any difference whether you were a graduate of Chelmsford High school or a college, for the words were not picked to suit any of the contestants. Swift retribution was the fate of the too-confident and it did not take long to spell everyone down. Another spelling bee would not be amiss when the weather is fine.

The third organ recital in the Unitarian church, Chelmsford Centre, was held last evening. Mr. Edgar C. Barrell of Lowell was the organist for the occasion and the sweet-toned instrument was heard to great advantage under his skilful touch. A fair number was present. If the weather had not interfered with the program a much larger audience would have been present.

The ladies of Chelmsford Centre will hold a grand whist tournament in the town hall Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock and it promises to be the most delightful card part held this season. All the ladies of the village as well as those residing in adjacent towns are cordially invited. The tickets are only 25 cents.

NORTH CHELMSFORD.

George H. Foren of Concord Junction is spending a few days at the home of his folks.

Charles Jordan, a Lowell boy, employed in Moore's mill has enlisted in the United States marines, through the Lowell agency.

J. C. Pushee, who died recently in Cambridge, was a cousin of Mrs. Fred K. Ripley of North Chelmsford.

SOUTH CHELMSFORD.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met at the vestry Wednesday afternoon. Supper was provided by Mrs. Charles O. Robbins and Mrs. Orrin Spaulding.

Deacon Fletcher remains about the same.

Mr. George M. Fletcher, who was slowly improving after his long sickness, has not been so well for the past few days.

The fine skating on Hart Pond was enjoyed by the young people who had a merry party there Saturday evening.

Mr. Newell E. Parker is among those on the sick list.

Mr. Edgar R. Parker of Boston was in town over Sunday.

WEST CHELMSFORD.

The B. & S. club of West Chelmsford held its third annual dance in Marshall's hall on Tuesday evening. About 75 couples were present. Music was furnished by Flanigan's singing orchestra. There was a cake walk which proved interesting. Frank McGlinchy of West Chelmsford was general manager and Henry Clarke, floor director. Members of the B. & S. club were aids.

LOWELL B. B. A.

The Lowell B. B. A. team one of the leading local teams will play the Maynard Y. M. C. A. team at Maynard on Saturday night and Manager Ralph Cullen says that his boys will return home victorious as they have been playing a better game lately and they are ready to tackle the Burkes again when the latter team desires to meet them.

Mr. John Collins of Concord street and his wife are being congratulated on the arrival of a baby boy at their home.

Joseph Lavery of Butterfield street left Thursday for Hot Springs, Ark., and Denver, Col. Mr. Lavery may locate permanently in Colorado.

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THE BURKES WON

In the Finest Game of the Season

DEFEATING DARTMOUTH COLLEGE 10 TO 6

Y. M. C. A. Rules Used in Second Half

The Burkes basket ball team defeated the Dartmouth college team last evening in the most interesting game seen here this year.

The game was played in Associate hall and 1000 cranks cheered themselves hoarse over it. The college boys were by far the best team that has played here this season and they gave the Burkes an interesting run for their money. They brought rosin to overcome the disadvantage of the slippery floor, could pass and dribble fairly well and at goal throwing were superior if anything to the home team. But perhaps they didn't hate to lose the game! When at the end of the first half the score stood 10 to 2 against them, they declined to play any more unless the Burkes played their way, by the Y. M. C. A. rules which were considerably different from those of the Burkes. The latter played the half by Y.M.C.A. rules and failed to score while the Dartmouths played awfully hard and pulled up four points, not enough to change the general result. It was not a bad idea to call for the Y. M. C. A. rules, as it is probable that the Burkes will be obliged to play under them at the Sportsmen's Show and the sooner they become familiar with them, the better.

The local team consisted of Tierney, Reagan, Healey, Marley, and Kelleher, and as was expected they gave that same fine exhibition that characterizes all their work. At passing they have no equals. Their scoring in the first half was done by Marley, Kelleher and Reagan, the last named being the star of the game. Reagan's opposite was a brawny young giant and the clever manner in which Pete ducked and dodged him kept the spectators in an uproar of enthusiasm. While Tierney and Healey failed to score they contributed their share to the general success and are entitled to a few of the bouquets. Hubbard and Alling were the stars of the Dartmouth team, although all five men played well.

On February 21, the Burkes will play the world's champions, the Twenty-third street gymnasium of New York.

The line-up:

BURKES.		DARTMOUTH
Capt. Tierney, lf	rg,	Craig
Reagan, rf	lg,	Alling
Healey, c	c,	Hubbard
Marley, lg	rf,	Newman
Kelliher, rg	lf,	Abbott (capt.)

Score, Burkes, 10; Dartmouth 6; goals from floor, Reagan (2), Marley, Kelliher, goals on fouls, Reagan (2), failed on free throws, Reagan (6), Kelliher, Hubbard (5), Abbott (3), fouls called on, Alling (3, Hubbard (), Craig (2), Reagan (5), Kelliher, Marley and Tierney; referees, George Rooney, Lowell; F. S. Archibald, timekeepers, James Wynne and Alfred Kennedy, time, 20-minute halves.

During the halves of the big game the Burke Juniors and the Palmers contested in a hot game which won by the former team by a score of 4 to 1.

Coleman scored the two goals for the Burkes, while Donahoo tallied the only point for the Palmers on a foul. Connie Shea and Jimmy Reagan played a fast game for the winners while "Shaver" Maloney and Donahue played the best for the Palmers. The line-up:

BURKES.		PALMERS.
McCarthy, lf	rg,	McMahon
Reaga, rf	lg,	Handley
O'Day, c	c,	Wallace
Shea, lg	rf,	Donahue
Coleman, rg	lf,	Maloney

Score, Burkes, 4; Palmers, 1; goals from floor, Coleman (2), from fouls, Donahue; references, James Wynne and George Rooney.

Mr. G. Jas. Wynn made his debut as a referee in the first half of the junior game and received an ovation. Aside from calling a strike on one of the players, he did excellently and Mr. Rooney will soon have to look his laurels.

After the game a dance was held with Referee Rooney as floor director and nearly all the audience remained for it. The Excelsior orchestra furnished the music.

BILLERICA CENTRE

There were twenty-five marriages in Billerica in the year 1899. St. Andrew's parish had seven in all, Fr. Paquette having 5 and Father Lavole 2. The out-of-town bridegrooms came from Tewksbury, Newton, Abington, one each and Lowell three. There were three brides from Lowell, one each from Pittsfield, Chelmsford and Charlestown. The youngest bride was 18 years and oldest bride 43. The youngest groom was 20 and the oldest 61. There were forty-nine births, 25 boys and 24 girls. The deaths were twenty-five boys and twenty-four girls. The deaths were twenty-four males and eighteen females.

A second party of fishermen consisting of Walter Holden, Oscar Smith, Oscar Fellows and Ernest Frost went to Forge Village early yesterday morning and came home better satisfied than on the previous occasion. They brought home thirteen medium sized pickerel and about a week ago they had poor success at Graniteville and are rejoicing over their large "haul."

Mr. Rufus R. Russell is still seriously ill at his home on Jones Corner. He is being attended by Dr. Bush.

Mr. Frank Crosby is still cutting ice. The ice is of first quality.

A birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Shepard in honor of their niece, Miss Elize Lawrence, who was seventeen years old Wednesday evening. During the evening refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. There was vocal music and piano solos by invited guests. She received numerous presents and at a late hour the party dismissed.

Two cases of stone arrived yesterday for the underground passage at Colby's crossing. It will probably be completed in the course of a month.

PERSONAL.

Tonight will be the third and last evening of the Sacred Heart festival at the Sacred Heart school hall. The Y. M. C. I. will have charge of the entertainment this evening which will be a minstrel show. We need not say anything about the character of the show that will be given, for the public of Lowell knows that they have the amateur dramatic company in the city, if not in the state. his evening will close the festival and it is expected that the hall will crowded to the doors.

Arthur W. McLean of this city was elected president Wednesday of the freshman class of Boston University.

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FOUND DEAD IN BED

Delle Annie Latart Expired This Morning

IN HER ROOM, 14 BOOTT CORPORATION

Heart Complaint the Cause of Death

Miss Delle Annie Latart, aged about 46 years, was found dead in her bed in her room, 14 Boott corporation about 8 o'clock this morning.

The deceased was for a long period employed as a spinner in Overseer Hounsell's department of the Boott mills but of late became a sufferer from heart trouble and required the attendance of Drs. Warner and Lavigne. Last night before retiring she appeared to show signs of improvement and was in good spirits.

Mrs. Richardson, who is in charge of No. 14 Boott corporation, on calling the Latart woman this morning, failed to receive a response and notified her husband whose efforts in the same direction also proved futile. He therefore notified Police Officer John Dennett, who forced in the door and found the woman in the bed undressed lying near the edge. The dead woman in the past, owing to the nature of her complaint, had been compelled to seek sleep while sitting in a chair.

She was a native of Quebec and has a brother Henry Latart of Ware Village, Mass., who has been notified of her death by the local police.

Miss Latart was in comfortable circumstances and had an insurance on her life. She is spoken of highly, as a woman of excellent Christian traits of character.

HOME CLUB DANCE

Their Third Social Was Held Last Night

AND IT WAS A GRAND SUCCESS

A Cake Walk Among the Features

The Home club held the third in its series of select socials in Prescott hall last evening and the affair equalled its predecessor in the pleasure it afforded. There was no march, but a new and very taking feature was introduced during the evening and it was a cake walk for all, beginning in sets and concluding with all hands around the hall.

During the evening the lemonade booth was presided over by Miss Sadie McDonald and Miss Flemings, both in dainty new gowns. Harry Richardson served ices at intermission. The officers were: General manager, C. A. Gale; floor director, J. W. Crawford; aids, A. G. McCurdy, T. C. Ware, P. J. Sherwood, M. F. Cummings, W. E. Bartlett, John Buckley, J. A. Lyman, F. H. oCle, A. J. Dion, M S. Clark and George E. Titus; reception committee, A. G. Thompson, Alex. M. Abels, Walter P. Wiley, Elwyn W. Lovejoy, Orrin R. Griffin, Seldon L. Sawtelle, Dr. Otis Allen, G. W. Fenton, Girard P. Dadman, Walter F. Leighton and J. W. Anderson.

JUDGE KNOWLTON

Refuses to Grant Injunction on Fitchburg Lease

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Judge Knowlton, in the supreme court yesterday afternoon, refused to restrain Gov. Crane and other state officials, including the state directors of the Fitchburg R. R. from voting in favor of the lease of the Fitchburg to the Boston and Maine R. R. company, as prayed for in the bill in equity brought by James M. Hilton of Cambridge, a Fitchburg stockholder.

STORM PREDICTED

COLD WAVE SPREADING OVER THE COUNTRY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Weather conditions and general forecast: The cold wave has extended over the upper lake region and the lower Ohio and lower Mississippi valleys where the temperature has fallen thirty to forty degrees since Wednesday night. In the Atlantic coast states and from the Rocky mountains to the Pacific coast the temperature has risen.

During Friday and Friday night the cold wave will cover the Atlantic coast districts preceded by rain and attended by clearing weather with probably snow flurries in the middle and north Atlantic states. During Friday night the temperature will fall to about the freezing point along the gulf and South Atlantic states and in extreme northern Florida.

Saturday will be fair and cold in the Atlantic coast states after which the temperature will begin to moderate. Along the North Atlantic coast high easterly winds will shift to northwesterly late Friday. On the middle and south Atlantic coast the winds will shift to strong northwesterly.

Storm signals are displayed along the Atlantic and gulf coasts and cold wave signals are displayed generally east of the Mississippi valley except in northern New England and in the west gulf states.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb 9.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Light rain or snow tonight; fair Saturday; much colder; variable winds, becoming westerly.

BROKE HIS WRIST

WHILE TRYING TO REPLACE A BELT.

This morning while Joseph Rush, an employe in the foundry of the Lowell Machine shop, was at work one of the belts flew off the pulley and in trying to get it on he sprained his wrist. The ambulance was summoned and he was taken to the Corporation hospital where his wrist was dressed.

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GENERALS' FAULT

Franklin Young, the War Critic

SAYS THE BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE BRAVE

But the Generals are Grossly Incompetent

Franklin K. Young, the great war critic, writes as follows of the war situation:

"About the only thing appertaining to the British army in South Africa which can be spoken of with approbation is the self-evident resolution of the British rank and file and particularly during its evolutions in retreat. That the British troops have shown superb skill and steadiness in retrograde movements before the victorious Boers is undeniable; and all the more creditable from the standpoint of the military art as it is in just these situations that troops of less courage and less discipline invariably go to pieces.

The rank and file of the British army is deserving of high praise in that after being led to the slaughter by ignorant and worthless officers, the men by their personal intrepidity have stood shoulder to shoulder and not only have saved their own lives but have preserved for the English government thousands of splendid soldiers who otherwise would have been massacred or captured by the pursuing enemy.

For instance, when Gen. Gatacre led his troops into a great defile among the mountains where they found themselves surrounded on three sides by a superior enemy, posted on inaccessible heights there is no trouble in drawing a comparison between General Gatacre and other generals who never did any such thing as this. On the other hand when the English rank and file extricated themselves from a situation of this kind, with a loss of only 20 per. cent., instead of being captured entire as would have been the case had they been other than veteran regular troops, they well deserve the Christmas present of a cake of chocolate from Her Majesty the Queen.

In the same way, in the case of Gen. Methuen, who started out to surprise the Boers at Magersfontein, and who was himself surprised and routed by a so-called horde of Dutch farmers, the attention of the military student is attracted to the fact that while night marches by the flank to surprise the enemy have been made successfully, that such successful manoeuvers never were made after the fashion attempted by Gen. Methuen. But particularly is the student of the military art struck by the superb individual bravery and skill shown by the British regular and he readily sees that to this superb bravery and skill alone is due the fact that Gen. Methuen's army was not destroyed entire.

On the Tugela, Gen. Buller has demonstrated that his understanding of military art and science is on the same plane as that of Gen. Gatacre and Gen. Methuen. In a certain sense all these officers are entitled to sympathy; they mean well but they don't know. It is a horrible situation in which to place a man when having a supreme command and with the eyes of the world fixed upon him and the welfare of his government at stake, he is brought face to face with a proposition in military mathematics of whose solution and of the processes incident thereto he has not the remotest conception.

This is the matter with the English generals. Each man tried to do his duty and to its attempt each devoted his utmost efforts. But as a man with his eyes shut runs toward a precipice at top speed, so does a man accelerate the destruction of his army when with all possible energy he enters upon the accomplishment of a false and unscientific military manoeuver.

At the present moment the air is filled with every variety of rumor, more or less misleading, from the theatre of war in South Africa. In Natal Gen. Buller is said to be making a third attempt to raise the seige of Ladysmith. Coming on top, as this does, of the utter failure of his attempted flank march via Spion Kop, an dwith his army weakened and demoralized to a greater or less extent by two serious defeats. It does not appear, at this distance, that the Boers need to have any great solicitude in regard to Gen. Buller's immediate or ulterior objective.

To be sure it is possible that his army may have been reinforced, but the reinforcements which he has received hardly will replace the thousands of veteran soldiers he has lost. In any event it is quite evident that he is not attempting a flank movement, and unless he makes a successful flank movement he must attack the Boer position in front. If Gen. Buller crosses the Tugela river at Potgeiters drift and attacks in front the Boer position of Schoen Kop, there are reasons to elieve that at some future time the English nation will be justified in buying of the United States of South Africa that particular bit of country for a military cemetery.

That is to say, although nobody acquainted with English military ideas will venture to set any bounds to the rashness of their commanders, it does not seem probable that at the present moment Gen. Buller is in condition to make another attack in force, and it seems most likely that his operations today are limited merely to heavy skirmishing, and for the purpose of giving his troops something to think about besides the seeming hopelessness of the attempt of the British empire to overpower two little Boer republics.

One of the funniest dispatches from the front thus far is to the effect that Sir Hector MacDonald with two battalions, a regiment of cavalry and a battery, commands the road from Hopetown to Kimberly. This dispatch is a good illustration of what a German officer once said of the English idea of war, i. e., it dated back to the days of Achilles when one man all by himself could terrorize a whole army.

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Our tonsorial establishments have undergone a greater change since the civil war than any other line of business in our city. Until about 1870 there perhaps were not more than a dozen barbers in the city that were not colored men, as white men did not take very kindly to the barber business. In those days the business of hair dressing, cutting and shaving meant more than it does today, as one or two very important branches of the business seems to have entirely disappeared, such as wig making and hair dyeing. I can remember quite distinctly when very few people would go into a barber shop without having either their whiskers, moustache or hair dyed which was a great fad in those days; they also had their hair curled. Today that branch of the business is little known among the barbers of the city. Nobody would ever think of calling a barber a millionaire in those days, although years ago some of the barbers seemed to be given to saving money and in time accumulated considerable property. I can remember when such men as old Hollis Proctor, Alek. Burton, Dave Brooks and old Uncle Lewis and Sam Benson, all colored people, accumulated considerable wealth. For some unknown reason in our city today with one or two exceptions there is not a colored barber working at the business.

The barber of today is quite a dresser and it is an acknowledged fact that barbers as a rule are among the best dressed men in town. There is usually a strong social side to a barber and there is no pleasanter place to frequent than the barber shop. When you think of the peculiarity of their profession, doesn't it strike you as funny how they ever learn to be journeymen barbers. In the beginning a man has to serve an apprenticeship and it takes about a year to learn the trade in all its branches. Then they find material to work on. At mostly any other kind of a mechanical business a person is given the material to work on and after becoming proficient with the tools they are allowed to finish some particular kind of work. But the barber plays a very strange part in the learning of his business, as he cannot use any dummies to practice on; nothing but a human face will answer his purpose, and it seems that no man would allow his face to be hacked up if he knew it. The apprentice first starts in as a whitewasher or more correctly speaking by lathering the customers. His next difficulty is that of dressing the hair after the journeyman barber had shaved the customer, but I suppose that occasionally a barber has a customer that he can work as a kind of dummy for his apprentice to practice on. There is nothing that will bring the cold perspiration over a person quicker than to get in the chair and have one of these apprentices operate on you. They can bring tears to your eyes quicker than they would come if you heard that one of your dearest and nearest relatives had passed away, and yet you would not dare to make much of a holler as you might fare worse if you got the artist nervous. But somehow or other they seem to get into the business and make a living at it.

Last year the barbers of the city tried to put a bill through the legislature to compel every barber to pass a kind of civil service examination under a practical barber appointed by the state legislature. Every man would have to pass an examination before practicing as a journeyman barber. There are many places where the sanitary condition of the shops is sadly neglected, in regard to towels, combs, brushes and tools. By their uncleanliness a customer's face is endangered with the barber's itch which is one of the worst and most troublesome skin diseases a person could be afflicted with. A person cannot be too careful where he has his work done, as we only have one face each and should be very careful of it.

But to go back to the legislature. The bill was killed and the principal reason perhaps was that the majority of the members were from the rural districts where they do their own shaving and are not interested in the sanitary condition of our barber shops. The duty of the barber appointed by the legislature would be to inspect at any time the condition of every establishment in the city, and if it was not up to the requirements of the law the proprietor would have to pay a heavy one which would cause him to be very particular in regard to the cleanliness of the establishment.

As a rule a good barber, like any other workman, need never have any worriment about finding employment. It takes but a small sum for a person to go into the business for himself, but as a rule the best workmen are found among the salaried men rather than the proprietors. These proprietors are all very affable and friendly sort of fellows and are mighty well posted, and might be styled walking encyclopedias. In swapping stories and hearing discussions on so many different topics with such a variety of people they acquire a large and varied knowledge of the affairs of the day. Their establishments are usually very neatly and attractively fitted up with all the modern appliances, and there is generally a number of newspapers, periodicals and everything to make a customer's wait for his turn as pleasant as possible. Of course the order is "First come, first served." For practical jokers, barbers are famous. One of the funniest jokes perhaps that was ever worked in a barber shop was that played on P. T. Barnum, the great show man. One of the New York longshoremen who was employed in emptying one of the coal barges called at the barber shop to get a shave one Saturday night, and the place was pretty well filled with customers, when the great P. T. Barnum came in and on looking around thought he would be unable to wait long enough for his turn and suggested that if any man would give him his chance he would pay for his work. It fell to the lot of the old longshoreman to have the next turn, which he willingly gave up to the great showman. The proprietor being well acquainted with Barnum and knowing what a wonderful joker he was thought it was a capital chance to get one on him, so he informed the coal heaver that Barnum had agreed to pay for his work, but did not specify the amount of work to be done, so he started in by having a bath, which cost, 25c, a shave 10c, hair cut 25c, whiskers trimmed 25c, hair dyed 50c, hair curling 50c, making a total of $1.85. The great showman when presented the bill decided that it was one of the best jokes that was ever played on him. He showed his quick wit and ability as a showman by immediately engaging an artist to sketch this man's picture before and after his shave, and to paint a portrait of him telling what it cost to make the transformation scene from a hardy son of toil to a well groomed man. He had the picture painted and it hung in his museum for several years and was one of the attractions the people had to pay to see.

After Barnum's museum in New York was abandoned, by some manner or other this picture finally passed along until it drifted into the city of Lowell where it now adorns the walls of Peter Cullin's barber shop on Appleton street, and it certainly makes a very interesting study when it is known to be founded on facts. But the barber's business is not the only one that is changing, as everything must change with the times.

JOS. STOWELL

AN OLD RESIDENT OF LAWRENCE PASSES AWAY.

Mr. Joseph Stowell, an old and highly respected citizen of Lawrence, passed away last evening at his home. For a couple of days past, deceased had been sinking and the result was not unexpected. About him to the last were his loving family. Mr. Frank E. Stowell of Lowell, of the firm of C. M. Young & Co., undertakers, is a son of the deceased.

Joseph Stowell was born in Vermont, April 10, 1824. His boyhood was that of the typical Vermonter, strong rugged inflexible training and the lessons then learned made of him the man he was through his after life. He came to Lawrence before there was a Lawrence—in fact, he was considered by some as the longest resident, although challenged by others.

Immediate surviving members of his family are a daughter, Mrs. Hattie E. Williams and two sons, Frank E. of Lowell and Orville L. of Lawrence.

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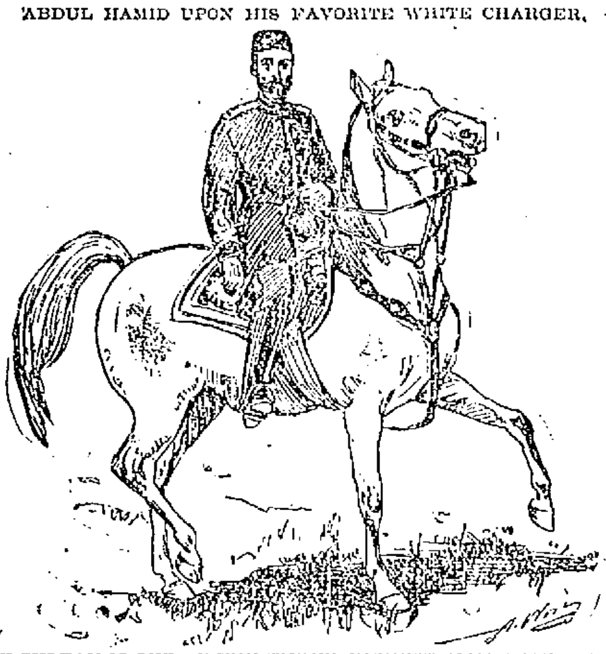

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DOES IT PAY TO BE A KING.

The Salaries Received by Rulers and the Amounts They are Able to Save from the Income of a Kingly Crown.

Does it pay to be a king?

This question, very often asked and as seldom answered, is one that interests the whole world. There are those who think that besides the honor of it, there is no emolument associated with the responsibility of ruling a great government. But the computed private fortunes of the world's greatest sovereigns, especially those of Europe, show that though uneasy may lie a kingly head, the state of unrest is so grandly remunerative that it would allow a most comfortable subsistence should the reposer be suddenly relieved of his sovereignty and compelled to live in retirement.

While it is considered the worst of form in court circles to discuss the private wealth of kings and queens, it is a well-known fact that their finances are gossiped about, and so loudly, too, that information regarding the pecuniary standing of monarchs escapes to the curious world without. For instance, everyone knows that Queen Victoria is the richest sovereign in Europe, if not in the world.

Here is an estimate of her private possessions:

Annual income from nation, $1,925,000.
Revenues from Duchy of Lancaster, $300,000.
Estates in Ireland, Scotland, France, Italy and Wales.
The famous Koh-i-noor diamond worth $3,500,000.
Money invested to the amount of $50,000,000.

Yet, in spite of these figures, there are those who claim that the sum of Her Majesty's fortune when made known definitely will be comparatively small. They argue that Victoria is one of the most sympathetic and generous sovereigns in Europe, adding that her money is eaten up by pet charities, private salaries and pensions; and then there is the mise en scene of royalty to be kept up which requires an enormous amount of money. Her Majesty's wealth consists principally of jewels and cash; for since she relinquished her claim to many of the land properties of the crown in return for the $150,000 civil list allowance, years ago, her riches are exceeded in real estate possessions by those of the Czar of Russia.

But even these vast landed riches do not place Nicholas II. next on the list of millionaires on thrones. This enviable position is reserved, strange as it may seem, for Abdul Hamid, the Sultan of European Turkey, who manages to get away with $5,000,000 yearly in the maintenance of his harem and the provision of other luxuries. But if Abdul Hamid's subjects were to rise in revolt and dethrone him these are some of the possessions which he would have to fall back on:

A private fortune of $12,000,000.
What he is able to "knock down" from a civil list of $1,000,000.
Investments in other countries yielding an annual income of $1,500,000.
A jewel-embroidered wardrobe worth $3,000,000.
Rings and other ornaments computed to have cost $1,000,000.

But it must not be thought for a moment that the Sultan is satisfied with these riches. Far to the contrary, he longs to be known as the wealthiest man in all the world, and is constantly reaching out for additional wealth, while enjoying every luxury that money can procure. The magnificence of the Sultan's wardrobe is proverbial, and a set of diamond buttons for one of his court robes is only one of a large number of recent extravagances.

Of the sums which are hidden away in the coffers of Czar Nicholas II., little is known. He, however, owns vast lands in Siberia and the following record of a portion of his wealth shows that there would still be enough to support Her Majesty the Czarina and the little Grandduchesses should her royal spouse some morning awake and find himself suddenly dethroned and compelled to seek his own livelihood in a less austere manner:

A million square miles of cultivated Russian lands.
Gold and other mines in Siberia.
Largest cream-colored horses in the world.
Revenues from real estate to the amount of $15,000,000 a year.
Savings from a $5,000,000 civil list.

A sparkling addition to this list is the Orloff, one of the diamond wonders of the world. This remarkable gem weighs one hundred and ninety-four and a quarter carats, and is set in the sceptre of His Majesty. The Orloff was purchased in the year 1774 by the Armenian Schaffras, who sold it to Catherine II. of Russia for half a million roubles, a pension of twenty thousand roubles and a patent of nobility. The Shah, another diamond which is a perfect mass of fire and brilliancy, is also contained in His Majesty's jewel casket. These two gems alone would bring a fortune if put on sale.

Many handsome jewels, fine lands and the most magnificent collection of photographs in the world belong to the Belgian monarch, but his reverses have been so many that it is difficult to tell how much of his once imperial fortune remains.

William II., the versatile Emperor of Germany, has a stock of this world's goods that contrasts strikingly with that of his neighbor sovereign, Leopold. His dual office of Emperor of Germany and King of Prussia makes him rich beyond all dreams of avarice. These are only a few of the resources upon which he could draw were he to become simply a prince with no other office than that to which a royal birth naturally admits him:

Four great palaces and fifty lesser ones and castles.
Savings from an annual civil list of $3,853,000.
Private income of $9,000,000 a year.
Jewels whose sale would bring at least $2,500,000.

Added to these riches, which are sufficient to satisfy a man of most Croesusan desires is the royal crown treasure of $300,000,000, founded by Frederick William III., comprising the domains of Flatow, Krojanke and Fraudendorf; the Fredeikommiss of Prince Carl and the House of Fredeikommiss of the Hohenzollerns.

The Empress, too, has a snug little fortune that figures into seven numbers, to which she has added constantly from the liberal allowances made her by her royal husband.

The private fortune of Franz Josef has been recorded in such a contradictory manner, and there are so few people who have been brought into the sovereign's finances that it is impossible to give an exact idea of his possessions. These, however, are known to be his personal property:

An income of $1,000,000 yearly from private sources.
Profits from civil list of $4,500,000.
Jewels left by the late Empress worth $3,000,000.
Also enormous cash deposits in the Bank of England.

Emperor Franz Josef came into possession of a great deal of the wealth left by his wife, the late Empress Elizabeth, which included valuable real estate. Her Majesty's Viennese possessions were famous the world over. The palace at Corfu, recently sold, was worth a fabulous sum, and its furnishings alone cost something over a million.

Though King Christian of Denmark was a poor man when he ascended the throne, he is now numbered with the richest of the world's sovereigns. Much of his wealth has been brought into the family by advantageous marriages, notably that of his son to Louise of Sweden. But through his own thriftiness, King Christian has accumulated a goodly store of this world's goods.

The unique and charming spectacle which the assembly of King Christian's court presents during the summer months at his country seat is known wherever court news is circulated. This is one of the finest old castles in Europe, and would alone support His Majesty in regal style were he deprived of his throne and its emoluments. Fredenborg is situated on the Lake Esrom and is surrounded by a magnificent park, combining forest glades with cultivated loveliness in a manner too artistic to describe.

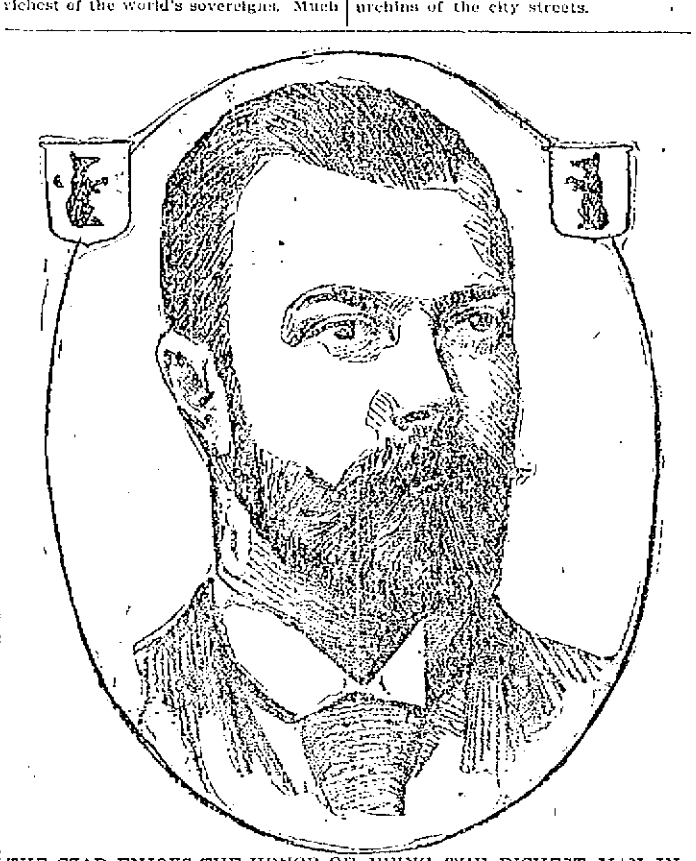
King Oscar of Sweden, who loves the good things of life, has but a small civil list with which to produce them. His private fortune, however, includes many valuable lands and the savings of the labors of nearly thirty years, which ought to be a goodly sum. They include:

Several charming country palaces throughout Norway and Sweden.
A private yacht which would easily bring half a million.
Money invested which yields $2,000,000 yearly.
And the customary civil list gains of over $500,000.

His Majesty has an immensely wealthy relative in his brother Carl XV., but the most of the latter's fortune he bequeathed to his daughter Louise upon her marriage with the Crown Prince of Denmark; so it is not at all certain that any of this wealth will revert to her uncle, though the Princess is very fond of her "Uncle Oscar."

The large lucrative estates of Queen Wilhelmina made her a very rich young woman, and to these revenues she adds the savings from a civil list of $250,000 allowed her by the good old Netherlanders. Her castle at Loo is the most beautiful and highest valued of her landed possessions.

One king may complain to another of the parsimony of his subjects in the matter of royal grants, but if the sums which are hidden away in royal coffers could be glanced at by the world at large, it would be found that there is not a ruler in Europe but who has saved enough from his or her earnings to keep away the wolf from the door should by any mishap their throne and sovereignty be confiscated.



THE CZAR ENJOYS THE HONOR OF BEING THE RICHEST MAN IN THE WORLD FOR HIS AGE.

PATRIOTIC POSE FOR A LAD.

A YOUNG MILLIONAIRE OF WHOM MUCH IS EXPECTED.

GREAT PAINTER TALKS OF HIS SMALL MODELS.

He Says There is a Trick in Catching the Look of Innocence Upon a Child's Face.

"There is but one universal characteristic of children," said Boutel de Monvel, the great French child painter, "and that is innocence."

M. de Monvel has lately come from Paris to make a study of American children. He probably knows more about children than any other man in the world. He has studied them all his life, and painted pictures of them, from the baby royal to the little peasant children of the vineyards and the urchins of the city streets.

these are lost in the general impression which is a medley of flowers and painted children's faces of every nationality, every class, every degree of beauty, and in the midst of it all, towering above it all, like a huge sketch in black and white, Boutel de Monvel himself, who wins the hearts of children as if by magic and loves them in return.

PORTRAIT OF BLAINE'S GRANDSON.

M. de Monvel lifted the covering from the easel to which he had called my attention. The painting was a water color of the grandson of James G. Blaine. The tints were so soft and harmonious as to be soothing; the boy looked as if he were about to speak.

"Now, can you note any difference between that painting and a photograph?" asked the artist, standing back and viewing his work in true artistic pose.

Yes, there certainly was a difference, apparent to the most untutored eye. More marked than the beauty of coloring was a certain realness that seemed to give insight into the character of the boy.

"It is because I work from the impression and not the figure. When I had discovered the little fellow's nature, which is a delicate, sensitive one, I had the material for my painting, and his temperament dominated me at all times while I worked on his picture.

"How did I come to paint children? Well," said M. de Monvel, as we sat down to the perusal of some of his recent work, "it happened that the children liked me, and I got along nicely with them; I don't know why."

Perhaps if M. de Monvel could see the kindliness in his brown eyes as other people see it, he might understand the reason for his success.

"I never found them troublesome," he continued, "and I believe that is the reason many artists have for not wishing to undertake children; they are too difficult to pose. But as I never pose them, I am not confronted with that difficulty."

"The children I know and understand. They are like open books that I can read or babbling brooks with no bridges to hide their surface, and clear water that lets me look down to the river bed.

"But the ladies!" he ejaculated with a sigh; "they are a great study for one little lifetime; the children are much simpler, the results are quicker."

"And where are they most interesting and pretty, these child pets of yours?"

"Interesting and pretty?" repeated M. de Monvel. "You don't make the one dependent upon the other, do you? For, you know, the most interesting children are not the pretty ones. Beauty, as the term is usually accepted, means regularity of features, and that suggests evenness of temperament and an average character. It is the homely little children who interest me, if any of them may be called so, with the light of innocence suffusing their faces.

"The homely ones are easier to paint. You did not think that? But it is true, quite true. The little irregularities are a pleasure to paint; they are a novelty, and the individuality of the face consists in those differences.

"But the people with regular features, their individuality consists more in expression and coloring, and the indefinable something which is finesse, and

"If you were a painter," continued M. de Monvel, "always watching out for new types and ideals, you would realize how great is the field of children."

"But how can there be more types of children than of others? Are we not all children grown old?"

"That's just the trouble," replied M. de Monvel, "and we outgrow the type mature, we all follow the same fashions, in dress, manners, conversation, deportment. We aim to be self-controlled. We are a good deal like everyone else, at least outwardly.

"Children, however know no self-control. They recognize no fashions, either in dress or mannerism. They are themselves; they are natural; they are adorable. They say what they think, and often they think wise things. Fortunately, they don't know it. It would spoil them.

"It is knowledge that spoils us all, and robs us of individuality, for we all learn the same things. We are like sets of encyclopaedia, with variations in the binding.

THEY OBEY INSTINCT.

"Then, children do whatever natural instinct prompts. They are not guided nor limited by conventionality, for they don't know what conventionality is. That also is fortunate, for the painter as well as the children. It enlarges the field; it suggests new subjects. The innocent, artless, natural things that children do create thousands of new impressions, and it is from impressions that the artist works."

"But you are a portrait artist."

"It is the same. Do you think I would have my children sit in a stiff-backed chair or stand upon a pedestal while I paint them? Oh, no. I paint not from their figures but from the impressions they create. I ask them not to stand and look at me, but to visit with me and be natural and forget I am to put them on canvas.

"They come into my rooms and look about. Some of them like the flowers or the pictures or the knick-knacks or the toys. They are not quiet long; it is a matter of but five or ten minutes before they show their natural tendencies. Some may be mischievous, others sad; some may be fretful and nervous, others careless and gay. Their temperaments soon create an impression upon me. It is from the impression I work. Look at this."

M. de Monvel moved toward an easel at the end of the room, one of the long, high-ceiled chambers at the top of a fashionable New York apartment house, which the famous painter of children has transformed into a bower of beauty by his artistic touches.

There are soft draperies and easy chairs, divans and rare ornaments; but that is not so simple to reproduce on canvas.

"Look at this dear little face."

M. de Monvel picked up a pencil sketch of the homeliest child I had ever seen.

"Isn't that delicious? There isn't a good feature in it; the eyes are small, mouth large, nose tip tilted, hair tawny and straight, yet she's one of the dearest little creatures I've found since I came to America. It took about seven lines to draw her whole irregular little face and produce her impulsive, irregular character. She resembles somewhat the French children.

FRENCH AND YANKEE CHILDHOOD.

"The difference? Well, it's hard to define it. The French children are sweet and shy and impulsive, though they seem by nature to have their impulses under restraint. The children of America are almost invariably pretty of feature; but they seem wilful; they are spoiled, I think. They are encouraged to have decided opinions of their own, and they have a way of pushing them to a conclusion which could be no more positive if they were in the prime of life.

"The children here are also very self-contained, while in France they are almost invariably diffident. It is noticeable, even to the street gamins. The children of the Paris streets are not nearly so venturesome as those of New York.

"There is an interesting group that is thoroughly typical."

M. de Monvel held toward the light a beautiful water color of five French peasant children, at play in a meadow.

"Does it tell you anything?" asked the artist, anxiously.

"It tells me they are shy," I responded, for there was an air of diffidence manifest even in the set of the short-waisted frocks and the chin strings of the peasant bonnets.

"There is a good illustration of a type that perishes with its teens," said the artist; "there are no children in the world so full of refreshing sweetness as the peasant children of France; but it is annihilated by toil and the lapse of years, and those," concluded M. de Monvel, "are two of the cruelest masters in the world; they annihilate everything.

"If I could follow my own bent I would make just one picture a year, and it would be such a picture as I would wish to live! I would not be the one selected to paint certain models, but I would select my own subject, my own model, put into it my own inspiration; and then work; how I would work for its perfection! But that, I suppose, is the dream of all artists.

"We would live to paint, but we must paint to live. Bread and butter is an inartistic motive, it is prosaic, but"—a very French shrug for emphasis—"it is essential."

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AN EXCELLENT ILLUSTRATION OF THE WAY OOM PAUL'S MEN FIGHT.

FACTORS OF SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

By Major-Gen. Nelson A. Miles, Commanding the United States Army.

In considering the subject of modern warfare it might be well to make a few comparisons in order to show the changed conditions resulting from the use of modern weapons. Notwithstanding the fact that those now in use are far more powerful than any before invented or used by man, the loss of life in battle has gradually diminished as the use of long-range weapons has become general. Greater distances are maintained between the lines of hostile forces and great masses of troops are not exposed to fire. The firing lines are not such conspicuous targets, being formed of men in single or double rank, who can occasionally resort to cover.

The theater of war covers a more extensive territory, and yet, with all the changes, the same principles of strategy and grand tactics prevail now as thousands of years ago, and victory or disaster depends just as frequently upon the skill of the commanders.

The losses in battles of modern times, as compared with the times of Frederick the Great and Napoleon, are considerably less.

WAR LOSSES GROWING LESS.

The ancient battles of the Romans were the most sanguinary in history, the fighting being hand to hand, resulting usually in annihilation of the defeated army. At the battle of Cannae, in which 77,000 Romans were engaged, 44,000 were killed or wounded and 25,000 were taken prisoners, while the loss of the Carthagenians, who were victorious, was only 6,000.

At Lundy's Lane, the severest engagement of the war of 1812, the Americans lost 1,200 men out of 6,000 (20 per cent.) and the British 900 out of 2,800 (32 per cent.).

The two great battles of the age in point of loss are Waterloo and Gettysburg, and between them there is a remarkable similarity both in numbers engaged and extent of casualties. At Waterloo the French numbered 80,000 men and 252 guns; the Allies numbered 72,000 men and 186 guns. At Gettysburg the Union army numbered 82,000 men and 300 guns; the Confederates 70,000 men and 250 guns. At Waterloo Wellington's army lost 23,185, or 32 per cent.; at Gettysburg Meade's army lost 23,003, or 28 per cent.

In the Crimean war the British loss in killed and wounded in the battle of the Alma was 2,012 out of a total force engaged of 21,500, the percentage being 9, and they lost 2,357 men out of 7,464 engaged at the battle of Inkermann, or a percentage of 31.

During the great Civil war, from 1861 to 1865, there were enlisted in the Union army over 2,270,000 men, and there were killed in action 4,142 officers and 62,916 enlisted men (total 67,058); died of wounds received in action, 2,223 officers and 40,789 enlisted men (total 43,012); died of disease, 2,795 officers and 221,791 enlisted men (total 224,586).

In the present war in South Africa the British loss has been great in killed, wounded and prisoners.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

In a campaign much depends upon keeping open the lines of communication over which those most necessary supplies for every army, food and ammunition, must be transported. During the great Civil war some of the principal lines of communication were the following:

Louisville to Chattanooga via Nashville, 312 miles; Chattanooga to Atlanta, 159 miles; average distance traversed in manoeuvring from Chattanooga to Atlanta, 175 miles; Atlanta to Savannah, 287 miles; Savannah to Goldsboro, 420 miles; Washington to Richmond, 115 miles.

In South Africa at the present time the important British lines of communication are: For Lord Methuen's column, from Cape Town to De Aar Junction, upward of 500 miles; for Gen. French's command, Port Elizabeth to Colesberg, 270 miles; for Gen. Gatacre's command, East London to Orange River, 225 miles, and for Gen. Buller's army, Durban to Frere, 150 miles. These columns are still within the British colonies and have not yet reached the territory of the South African republics.

From Pretoria, Durban is more than 400 miles distant; Port Elizabeth and East London more than 600, and Cape Town 930. The territory of the Transvaal is as large as Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania combined; and from Pretoria it extends about 160 miles to the westward, 230 miles to the eastward, 270 miles to the northward and 80 miles directly southward.

The campaigns during the Civil war in our own country between 1861 and 1865 illustrate the results of the operations of two contending forces, equal in enterprise, energy and fortitude, and both under skilful generalship. The use of long-range weapons gives the greater advantage to the force acting on the defensive, and this advantage can only be overcome by overpowering numbers on the side of the opposing force.

There are some new implements of warfare, the use of which affords great aid to an army, such as the wireless telegraph, the heliostat, the telephone and the telegraph, and whichever of two contending armies is without these implements is at a corresponding disadvantage. The science of ballooning has been brought to such perfection that balloons can be steadied against the currents of the winds, and therefore they are now recognized as exceedingly useful for the purpose of obtaining knowledge of the topography of the country and the position of the enemy. Lyddite, a very powerful explosive, far more destructive than the ordinary black powder, is used by the British as the bursting charge in their shells, and can be counted as one of the modern appliances of war. This explosive, however, is not as powerful or destructive as a powder recently invented by an American and adopted in our own service.

AS TO ROUGH RIDERS.

The question has been asked: Is the rough rider to be the ideal soldier of the twentieth century? Such an impression is unwarranted. The skilful horseman who can endure hardship and can make long and rapid journeys with the least possible fatigue to himself and horse, and at the same time can dismount and fight on foot, and is an expert marksman, and can take care of himself alone, or can be manoeuvred in brigades, divisions or corps composed of thousands of mounted men, has been and will be a most useful soldier. Bodies of such men were effectively used on both sides in the Civil war. They are exceedingly useful in reconnoitring a country, cutting lines of communication, capturing and destroying depots of supplies, and, when concentrated, can do effective work on either flank of the enemy.

THE VALUE OF GOOD RIFLEMEN.

Much has been said in regard to the value of good riflemen, as shown in the Transvaal fighting. Knowledge of their rifles and skill in using them are of inestimable value in the men of any army. The modern magazine rifle is sighted from 1,800 up to 2,400 yards, and of course the skilful use of it can only be obtained from practice, intelligent care and proper instruction. Both long-range individual sharpshooting and volley firing will be utilized in campaigns. The former renders the ground between the lines dangerous, if not untenable; and the latter, in close fighting, as in wooded or broken country, or during night attacks, when the control by the officers of firing is most essential, is very effective.

The use of the telegraph and steam power has made a vast difference in the art of war. Formerly it was next to impossible to successfully carry on a war against a foreign country at long distance by the transportation then in use, viz., sailing vessels, as illustrated in our Revolutionary war, and as late even as the Crimean war. Now the great steam transports, bearing all the personnel and munitions of war of modern armies, plough their way rapidly across the seas, and daily and hourly communication can be maintained with forces operating on the opposite side of the globe.

To meet the trials, exposure, hardship, disease and dangers of war requires in the present time the same fortitude as was necessary during the past ages, and to become a true soldier, fulfilling all the requirements and discharging his whole duty to his country, one must be inspired by the noblest patriotism as well as possessed of the stoutest heart.

MAJOR GEN. NELSON A. MILES, COMMANDING OFFICER UNITED STATES ARMY.

The war in South Africa is extremely interesting from the military point of view because of the test which it puts to the modern methods of transportation and the new weapons to which I have referred. Its result will throw new light upon many military problems. What that result will be depends upon so many possible developments, political as well as military, that prediction would be unsafe.

5,000 FEET UNDERGROUND.

One of the artificial wonders of the world is the Red Jacket shaft in the Calumet and Hecla copper mines, the largest in the world, on the shores of Lake Superior. The shaft is 4,900 feet deep, and is the deepest ever sunk.

It reaches to the conglomerate lode and is 14x22½ feet on the inside, is divided into six compartments and timbered throughout with Georgia pine, of which 10,000,000 feet were required.

The most powerful machinery known to miners operates this shaft, with a capacity of raising ten tons 3,000 feet per minute. In every respect, including the cost, this is the most stupendous undertaking ever carried out by a mining company.

A HUGE SUCCESS

Was Opening Night of Minstrel Show

IN TOWN HALL, NORTH CHELMSFORD

The Performance to be Repeated Tonight

The town hall, North Chelmsford, was the scene of a most successful minstrel performance attracting an audience more than testing the capacity of the hall, standing room being at a premium. The affair was under the popular temperance organization of the village, the St. John's Catholic Total Abstinence society.

Mr. Hubert Bearce of North Chelmsford directed the entertainment in his usual efficient manner and Mr. James Gookin, Lowell's rising pianist, acted as accompanist with his usual skill and grace adding new laurels to his already excellent reputation as an instrumentalist.

The hall was decorated most tastefully and was lighted by electric lights and it presented a grand and inspiring scene. Promptly at 8 o'clock, the curtain rose and the first number on the program was the grand overture and opening chorus of 50 voices and they sang "The Minstrel's Delight," in a pleasing way. Those who sang in the opening chorus were loudly applauded. All the songs and witticisms were decidedly up-to-date. All the young ladies who took part were attired in white and the men performers in black. Among the jokes which had a local application the following might be enumerated:

"Why is Mr. Clarence Sprague, the well known North Chelmsford milkman going out of the milk business?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Sprague's well pump is frozen and he cannot get any water."

"Why is Edward Swain, the well known checker player and clever debater, like a Lowell butcher?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Swain is always looking for stocks."

Mr. Swain is a popular stock market man and the joke on him was well received.

"Why is the North Chelmsford grocery store like England?"

Answer: "Because there is a Queen at the head of it." The manager being Mr. Myron A. Queen.

"What vegetable does the city of Ladysmith look like?"

Answer: "The green pea, because the Boers are always shelling it."

"Why has Patrick Welch the most ups and downs in his life of any man in North Chelmsford?"

Answer: "Because he runs the elevator in George C. Moore's mills."

Many other clever jokes were sprung on many of the village folks and they were all well received.

The following is the program as it was presented:

Overture, "The Minstrels Delight," ....Entire Company.

Entire Company.

"Good-Bye, Ma Baby," Jas. J. Barrett

"She Rests by the Suwanee River" ....Miss Clara McCoy

"I Think I'll have to Telegraph My Baby" .... David J. Dixon

Song, "Sometime" ....George F. Lynch

"I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby" .... Samuel L. Seymour

Song, "A Picture No Artist Can Paint," ....Miss Lizzie Constantineau

Song, "Somewhere" ....Miss Josie E. McCabe

"I've Seen No Messenger Boy," .... Arthur S. Allen

Song "Sing Me a Song of the South" .... Walter P. Finch

"I Wouldn't Leave My Home If I Were You" .... Walter P. Finch

Song "My Lady Love" Edward F. Shea

"My Hannah Lady" ......John J. Gray

PART II.

Duet, "Cheerfulness" (waltz rondo) .... Gumbert

Mrs. Hubert Bearce and Miss Daisy J. Ripley.

Clarinet solo, ...Mr. J. P. Quigley

Buck and wing dance, Mr. Fred E. Lester; song, selected, Mrs. C F. Scribner; Mr. Hugh Farley, the "Irish comedian" introduced some side-splitting Irish comedy; song, selected, Miss Ethel Ranger; comic sketch entitled "Just Imported—The Two Counts,"; Edward F. Shea and George F. Lynch in the very latest jokes, songs and dances.

Interlocutor, John T. Crowley.

Bones—Arthur S. Allen, David J. Dixon, Walter P. Finch.

Tambos—Samuel L. Seymour, James J. Barrett, John J. Gray.

Chorus—The Misses Josie McCabe, Clara McCoy, Lizzie Constantineau, Tessie McCabe, Mary Crowley, Kittie Curry, Mary eHaley, Katie McEnany, Frances McEnany, Mary Larkin, Laura Lacure, Fannie Miller, Mary E. McMahon, Minnie McManimon, Lilla Seymour, Messrs. Ernest Boles, John Curry, Joseph Crowley, John Harrington, George Lynch, Fred Lester, Alphonse Magnant, Arthur Monferrand, Louis Miner, Dave McNally, John McNally, George Pope, James Quigley, Thomas McTague, Edward Shea.

Mr. John T. Crowley made a fine interlocutor and the bones were played to perfection by Allard S. Allen, David J. Dixon and Walter P. Finch while the tambos were handled in a clever way by Samuel Seymour, Jas. J. Barrett and John J. Gray.

Tonight the entertainment will be repeated and a grand cake walk will be given under the direction of Mr. Thomas Armstrong of Lowell.

A large number is expected to trolley from Lowell to the North Chelmsford town hall tonight.

BAY STATE FAIR

CLOSED LAST NIGHT AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Last night was the closing night of the Bay State fair held in the vestries of the First Congregational church. On account of the inclemency of the weather the attendance was rather small.

The big event will long be remembered and much credit is due to Mrs. F. E. Putnam, Mrs. Frank Hoyt, Mr. C. in transferring properties and appoint- O. Hall and others who lent valuable assistance in the way of conveyances ments to and from the fair. The flowers sold at the city of Worcester came from the greenhouses of Harvey B. Greene and the decorations of American flags, bunting and shields were kindly loaned to the ladies for the occasion by Mr. Sidney Drewett and Mrs. Hoyt, the president of the society takes this opportunity to thank each and every one who in any way contributed to the success of the Bay State fair.

INTER-CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The Home club of Lawrence and the Vesper-Country club of this city will play a series of inter-club tournament games at the latter's quarters this evening. The visitors will come 50 strong, they say, and will furnish their part of the evening's entertainment.

ROBBED OF GLORY

Gen. Wheeler Given no Credit by Gen. Otis

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—Prima Facie proof comes in a letter from an officer in the Philippines that General Otis was prominent party to a conspiracy to rob General Joseph Wheeler of any credit he might be entitled to from service in the Philippines.

The theory has been that General Wheeler has had important active service in the Philippines and this was based on the official reports of General Otis to the war department.

As a matter of fact however, General Wheeler was in a score of battles, behaved with signal gallantry and distinction, was many times on the firing line and was of the utmost value to the American cause.

Here is the letter in part:

"Letters are being received from the United States asking why General Otis has never mentioned Gen. Wheeler in his reports. One letter said: 'A statement has been made that no matter what General Wheeler did in the Philippines his name would not be mentioned. We believe this has been proved to be literally true.'

"It is known that General Wheeler has constantly studied the location of the enemy's troops and has repeatedly solicited authority to attack them, but every such action has been refused. Nothwithstanding this, General Wheeler has been in a number of engagements, but his service has been entirely ignored or the credit given to others.

"On September 9, General Wheeler had a fight with a force of insurgents' infantry and artillery at Santa Rita. General Otis cabled an account of the fight to Washington, but the published report does not mention General Wheeler.

On Sept. 16, General Wheeler had another fight at Santa Rita, but no mention whatever was ever made of it.

"On Sept. 28, he commanded the troops which charged over the enemy's breastworks at Porac and pushed through and beyond the town, but General Wheeler's name was never mentioned.

"On October 11, General Wheeler's troops had quite a warm fight at Angeles. The fight lasted for three hours. General Wheeler rode his horse along the firing line during all action. Here again no mention was made of General Wheeler, and yet the insurgent force engaged in these two fights in the Philippines.

"General Wheeler also engaged in nine other fights or skirmishes at Angeles.

"General Wheeler was in the Bamban fight, and after the insurgents fled, pursued them until ordered back by General MacArthur, of course his name was not mentioned.

"The foregoing statements are taken from or based upon official reports. My purpose is to show General Wheeler's friends that, to say the least, General Wheeler has been active and efficient in his service in the Philippines."

BOXING GOSSIP.

All details of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club next Monday evening have been settled. Messrs. William A. Pierce and E. F. Wood, managers of Byers and Mulvihill, met President Anderson and Treasurer Hanlon of the Kirtland club and agreed that Referee Captain Bill Daly was to be instructed that he must give a decision. The men are to go fifteen rounds, and if the bout is not ended before that time, and the referee cannot conclude that one of the men is defeated, he empowered to order other rounds until a clear winner is found.

This arrangement will meet with the approval of all lovers of boxing in this vicinity, and is a rule which should be adopted all over the country. It ensures more spirited bouts, for the custom now followed permits the principals to waste time until the last round, so as to get a draw. Under the new rule a boxer will understand that the only way he can enhance his reputation is to exert his best efforts from the very start in a contest.

The determination of the Kirtland club to have decisions in their bouts is an innovation which will receive indorsement from all sides. Patrons will be protected from song and dance and gymnasium bouts. The new rule will make it positive that the superiority of the principal in each contest will be shown to all. It is a rule that will make the Kirtland club the most popular institution of its kind in the East. The old custom of permitting draws if both men were on their feet allowed too much opportunity for fakes.

This young sailor, Mulvihill, Byer's opponent is not a "ringer." He is a chap with a big record. Mulvihill is going to surprise the wise ones and it would not surprise some if he would become a prominent factor in the American middleweight championship in the near future. If he can beat George Byers he can get backing for $5000 against any middleweight limit. Tom Sharkey will flat half the stake money. When Sharkey was in Boston he said that Mulvihill was a wonder five years ago and if he has improved any since then, he ought to be able to beat most any of the present run of middleweights. It may be remembered that Mulvill was the first man to go twenty rounds against Sharkey.

The following from Bob Broker explains itself: "There are quite a lot of 100 pound boxers around Boston looking for work. Now, I claim to be the 100 pound champion of New England, having won the title from the late Jimmy Duffy in 14 rounds six years ago at the Camden club. I stand ready to defend the title against all comers.

Doubting ones of a few weeks ago are now ready to believe that there might have been something wrong in the McGovern-Dixon fight. There was more in that contest by reason of the betting that McGovern would secure a knock-out in a certain number of rounds than has been told. Now a charge has been made that it was agreed that McGovern would fight Medely Miles if he would knock-out Eddie Santry. The agreement was violated, the Santry people were double-crossed, and some people won a pot of money.

Jim Kennedy, the well known manager and promoter of fistic events, in connection with Johnny Eckhardt, the well known referee, is to bring their great Ethiopian combination of cake walkers to Music Hall, Boston, on the evening of Feb. 14.

By reason of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club, the meeting of the Isoteric club has been postponed from Feb. 12 to Feb. 14.

Speaking of his trip to Portland, Twin Sullivan says everyone connected with the Casco Athletic club treated him and his party with the greatest courtesy and liberality. Sullivan says he will make a match with Martin Riley or Joe Robinson again, for the "Casco's" next meeting.

Chuck Talbot writes from Charlestown that he wants a match with some 118-pound man, Young Curran or Kid Fanning preferred.

Sparring competitions which were scheduled for the B. A. A. Feb. 16, have been given up on account of lack of entries, there not being enough to guarantee a fairly good show. If enough men can be guaranteed the championship will be held in March.

There is a very bitter war going on over in New York between Tom O'Rourke and George F. Considine. latter is now considered the Napoleon of boxing matters, and had more than succeeded Tom O'Rourke as the right man with Senator Tim Sullivan and the other powers that be. O'Rourke still controls the utterances of one or two sporting writers and they are feebly attacking Considine.

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BIG FIRE

SECOND ALARM FOR BLAZE IN A DANGEROUS DISTRICT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 8.—For over an hour last evening traffic was suspended on Washington street near Eustis, in Roxbury. The cause was a fire for which two alarms were rung in from box 231. The first alarm was sounded at 6.13 and 10 minutes later Chief Grady ordered a second.

Shortly after 6 o'clock smoke was seen issuing from a window on the second story of the five-story brick building, 2109 to 2115 Washington street occupied by J. P. and W. H. Emond, carriage builders. An alarm was hastily sounded and upon the arrival of the firemen Chief Grady thought it advisable to sound a second alarm owing to the dangerous locality of the building. While the fire itself was not of a serious nature the structure of the Boston elevated road handicapped the fighters to a great extent. The loss was considerable.

A REBELLION

BROKEN OUT AT HONG KONG.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says that a serious rebellion has broken out in Swatau in the province of Kwang Tung. The viceroy has sent troops and a gunboat to suppress the insurrection.

MUSIC HALL

Last evening the "Vanity Fair Burlesquers" started on their three night and matinee performance at Music Hall. The opening feature is a burletta in one act entitled "Paris in 1900, or Gayest Paris," and it is one of the funniest burlesque drolleries ever conceived. Andrew Barr and Robert Mack as the Irishman and Hebrew are a funny pair. Their drolleries convulsed the big audience and to watch them was as difficult as keeping tabs on a three ring circus. The olio was clean, novel and entertaining. Morrissey and Rich, as "The Moonlight Serenaders," were given a warm reception, followed by Katie Rooney, the daughter of the late Pat Rooney. In character changes and imitations. In the last feature of her act, she changes costumes to male attire and when she appeared last evening she was the exact counterpart of her late father. She made a great hit and she will be a prime favorite during the engagement of "Vanity Fair" in Lowell. The breezy comedians, Howard and Mack had a budget of new witticisms, jokes, jokolets and quantiots. Andy Barr and Florence Evans are a clever pair. They are creators of original comedy. Mr. Barr, as the jay farmer, and Miss Evans, as the "Lilliputian," created a great sensation in their absurdity entitled "In Town on Business." The closing feature of the olio program introduced the wonderful Rio Brothers, three in number in an entirely original and sensational act with the flying aerial rings. They gave the greatest exhibition of muscular development ever witnessed and they are as graceful as any trio of acrobats ever seen. Their act alone is worth seeing, if you never saw any other part of the show. The performance came to a close with the burlesque production of "Rob Roy," with Anna Little in the title role. She is a handsome and shapely woman and she sang a duet with Katie Rooney which was a gem of the burlesque. The performance will be given again tonight tomorrow afternoon and evening.

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Small lot of Infants' and Little Children's nice Sample Mittens, worth 25c. For this sale, 10c and 12c. White, 10c. Colors, 12c.

Mourning Pins. Regular price 5c. sheet. Sale price 2 for 5c.

Only 25 boxes left of that Silko and Silkateen every body sells for 5c, we sell, 2 for 5c. We were more than surprised to think we could sell 75 boxes of these goods in one week, nevertheless it is true, but no wonder we sold it. The price sold it. Everybody likes to trade where they can get such values. Goods at half what others ask bring crowds to our store every day in the week.

We are now showing the largest and best line of Corsets to be found in Lowell.

Corsets for 39c as good as some get 50c for.

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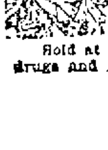

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WHIST TOURNAMENT

REAGAN AND McBRIDE LEAD IN BURKES CONTEST.

At the Burke temperance Institute a whist tournament consisting of 18 teams is now in progress. The winners will each receive a valuable silk umbrella, to the two finishing second will be awarded two meerschaum pipes, while the third prizes will be two sets of cuff buttons. There are two other prizes, the individual and the booby. Two pins comprise the individual prizes while the booby is a doll's carriage. The standing of the teams follows:

	W.	L.	Pts.
Reagan and McBride	23	11	377
Clark and Dailey	23	10	371
Flynn and Winn	21	13	371
O'Hare and Towsend	21	13	370
Kane and Mullaney	17	17	351
Lussier and Zipple	21	10	353
Reagan and Tierney	11	18	351
Mulvey and McClennys	14	13	341
Wynne and Linnehan	16	13	307
Gallagher and Smith	17	13	307
McLaughlin and Farrell	14	13	289
Meaney and Reagan	15	22	285
Duggan and McNamara	18	17	284
Harrington and Lemire	9	19	259
Devlin and Langley	10	16	249
Rooney and Smith	9	16	215
Quinley and Donnelly	6	17	192
McCarthy and Gleeson	9	9	161

Frank L. Fitzgerald will be a candidate for re-election to the board of selectmen.

Wednesday evening the republican town committee organized and elected officers as follows: Chairman, Frank H. Farmer; secretary, H. M. Bailey; treasurer, Marcellus Patten; auditor, John E. Foster.

REMINISCENCES OF LOWELL.

Owing to the stormy condition of the weather last evening a rather small audience listened to a delightful talk on the early reminiscences of Lowell at the Grace Universalist church. Mr. Bacheller is an able speaker on the subject, and the talk last evening was listened to with a great deal of interest by all present.

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We carry a fine line of LADIES' CLOAKS, SKIRTS, SUITS AND MILLINERY, also GENTS' AND BOYS' CLOTHING, best styles and quality for lowest possible prices. We make a speciality of making to your order, all kinds of suits, jackets and waists.

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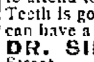

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to attend to your Teeth. The price of Teeth is going up. For a short time you can have a new set at a very low price. DR. SIMMONS, 219 Central Street.

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FOR SALE OR TO RENT—A Smith Premier typewriter in good repair. A. W. Dows & Co., 129 Central street.

FOR SALE—Stock and fixtures of store. A rare chance to go into business, one of the best paying on Merrimack street. For further particulars call at Sun Office.

FOR SALE—One Caligraph, $15.00; in first class condition; one safe in good condition, 3x1, $35.00; one roll top desk, oak, nearly new, $15.00. Inquire at Donovan and Mansur, Room 1, 26 Central street, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—Most complete line of bath cabinets in the world. One agent sold 800 in four months. Irwin Co., 123 Chambers street, New York.

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FOR SALE—Near Westford street, cottage house and barn, price $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A CHANCE for anyone desiring to start a paying business in the new and second hand furniture line will be found at No. 80 Charles street as the stock on hand can be bought on reasonable terms with the advantage of either lease or purchasing the premises.

A TEN DOLLAR INVESTMENT RETURNS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PROFIT—This is better than a dozen Klondikes—at least this is the honest opinion of 617 investors who placed from $10 to $20 in Montana and Utah mining shares with the older reliable mining brokerage firm of W. H. Nichols, No. 1 West Broadway, Pattee, Mon. Average profit of the 617 investors in ten months was $451.10, and many of the lucky ones made $500 off $10. Mr. Nichols is now floating two more new mining companies, he is a very shrewd and careful mining operator—he is a good one to follow.

RUBBER STAMPS — At wholesale prices, 1 inch one-line stamps, 10c; 1 ½ inch, 15c; 35c. ink pads, 25c; 25c. ink pads, 15c; 50c. linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c. per line. J. M. Fellows, 128 Merrimack street.

WATER CLOSETS and bath tubs from $5 up. All first class plumbing at lowest prices. J. H. Barry, 408 Market street.

Business Chances in Boston

on Washington street. Cigar store near 3 theatres; 2 show cases; counters; good stock, all fresh. Rent $25 month. Can let a billboard and bootblack for $5.00 a week. Lodging house; 11 rooms and bath; near Brigham's hotel, Washington street; nicely furnished from top to bottom; rooms always rented; rent $40 month. Price $350, $100 down; a chance. Also house near the state house. Easy monthly payments. Also three restaurants for sale or trade in Lowell. Good milk route $50 if sold at once. Seven room cottage, 4000 feet of land $1400. Seven room cottage, 4000 feet of land, $1350. Seven room cottage, 6000 feet of land, $1150. Family summer house and barn near water, $400. Tift, Vance & Co., 97 Central street, Rooms 2 and 3.

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Few professions have more frauds among its members than fortune tellers. Don't be deceived by every alluring, bombastic display. Patronize only those who guarantee satisfaction and can give proofs of their ability. Such a one is Vonnie, who stands at the front rank of palmists for she is the veritable queen of palmists. She can tell more than all others. Gives advice on love, marriage, and business. Describes your future husband or wife. Gives names and lucky days. Her hundreds of satisfied visitors in this city will testify to her knowledge of her profession. Fortune telling by cards is generally an illusion. Palmistry is a science and to one who understands it, the lines of your hand show unerringly your character, destiny, ability and the events of your full life. Take the elevator in Bon Marche block and at room 41 find the one who can read your hand correctly and that one is Vonnie, the palmistry queen. Hours from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. daily. Sundays from 2 to 6 p. m. Prices to suit all. Don't forget the number.

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to clear the mist and fathom the mysterious surrounding all cases of business and matrimony with startling accuracy. friends; also advice on all business affairs. She gives names and dates of absent fairs, 352 Central street, near Opera House.

MADAME ALVARDE,

The Popular Card Reader is again located at 49 Gorham street, opposite post office, where she can be consulted on business affairs, love, etc., lost articles found, names called. The madame, born in a veil, has since earliest recollection been gifted with power to reveal the past, present and future. Fees 50 cents and $1.00. Office hours 10 a. m. to 9 p. m., 2nd. flight front.

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A new lease from January 1st, 1900, for a long term of years, of the BROADWAY CENTRAL HOTEL has just been made to Tilly Haynes, the present very successful manager of the property. Mr. Haynes has now conducted the hotel for eight years, during which time he has completely rebuilt, refurnished, reorganized, and enlarged the original plant, at an expense of over a quarter of a million dollars, until now it is not only one of the largest, but one of the most complete and liberally conducted hotels in NEW YORK.

GRAND

LECTURE

A lecture will be delivered for the benefit of the new Greek church at Urban hall.

Admission, 25 cents.

All the Greeks of Lowell are expected to be present.

Will have a stereopticon.

Per JOHN DEMAAS, the well known Greek.

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Oak, Maple and Mahogany Wood Work. Sixteen Millions of these Machines have been sold.

Needles and Parts for all kinds of Machines.

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WANTED—Kitchen, table, chamber and general housework girls at once at Mrs. Gouthier, 159 Merrimack street.

WANTED—Girls to run braiding machines at cord works, Allen building, Rock street.

WANTED—Girls for transfering, experienced. Greenwood and Payton Hosiery Co., Ayer City.

WANTED at once 4 strong abled bodied laborers. Apply Monday morning to Lowell Fertilizing Co., So. Lowell.

WANTED—At once. Lady without incumbrance to travel in Mass. for well known house. Good salary and expenses to active party. Experience not necessary, but reference required. "Active," care of Sun.

WEAVERS, female, add $5.00 per week to your pay. We will help you. No agency business. Send 10c. for particular outfit. M. M. Co., Box 885, Worcester, Mass.

WANTED—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, within eight minutes of post office. Address J. A., care Sun.

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WANTED—Policy holders in the covenant Mutual Life association, send your addresses to P. O. Box 603, Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Old and young men to buy new hats and we clean free of charge for one year at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex street.

WANTED—Cooks, kitchen, girls, table girls, general housework girls. Free ride in our carriage. Dons, 158 Merrimack street, opposite Bon Marche.

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TO LET—In Lowell a store centrally located for drug, grocery or other business. Address "N. Y." Care Crawford House, Boston, Mass.

HALL TO LET—For dances, meetings, etc., with all modern conveniences. Prices reasonable. Apply 150 Middle street.

TO LET—Store at 409 Broadway as a grocery; apply to Frank Clark, 97 Adams street.

TO LET—One two-room and one five-room tenement. Inquire at 79 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Cottage houses at Adams avenue, Pawtucketville. Rent $8. Keys at occupied cottage. William A. Read, 22 Liberty street.

TO LET—Some first-class tenements in all parts of the city. Apply to A. G. Belarrell, Room K, Bon Marche Block.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—A fox terrier. Strayed away from postoffice Saturday forenoon. Finder return to 2 Glidden avenue and receive reward.

LOST—Ladies' Seal glove between Tremont street and A. G. Pollard's Dry Goods store. Finder will please leave same at this office.

LOST—A brown spaniel dog with white paws, white neck and breast and white tip on tail, wearing collar not marked. Reward at 69 Swift street.

LOST—An envelope containing a sum of money on Saturday, either in the Bon Marche or between there and the Merrimack corporation. Reward at 10 Merrimack corporation.

LOST—Wednesday, a. m., somewhere between city hall and Pollard's, a new Angola ladies' glove. Finder will please leave it at box office, Savoy theatre and receive tickets which owner of glove will pay for.

SPOT Cash and highest prices for secondhand furniture at 461 Merrimack street. Tel. 636-4.

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$1 ONE THOUSAND FEET.

First class cooking stoves set up and rented at a low rate per year; piping included. Coke broken, screened and delivered at $4.50 per chaldron, $2.25 per half chaldron, cash. No charge made for the use of meters. No charge made for running supply pipes from street mains to consumer's cellar. Orders when left at office promptly attended to.

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Paine's Celery Compound - - 64c

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1 Doz. Full Weight Rochelle Powders 17c

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Low Priced Drug Store, Cor. Merrimack and Bridge Sts.

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Just received, 1,700 pounds of fresh kiln-dried loose hops.

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These hops are strictly first class high-grade goods, raised and cured this year, on specially prepared ground, for home use, by an expert hop grower. Place your order at once, as the amount is limited.

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The largest assortment and finest display in Lowell at the

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THE SULTAN IS ONE OF THE THREE RICHEST MONARCHS IN THE WORLD.

DOES IT PAY TO BE A KING.

The Salaries Received by Rulers and the Amounts They are Able to Save from the Income of a Kingly Crown.

Does it pay to be a king?

This question, very often asked and as seldom answered, is one that interests the whole world. There are those who think that besides the honor of it, there is an emolument associated with the responsibility of ruling a great government. But the computed private fortunes of the world's greatest sovereigns, especially those of Europe, show that though uneasy may lie a kingly head, the state of unrest is so grandly remunerative that it would allow a most comfortable subsistence should the reposer be suddenly relieved of his sovereignty and compelled to live in retirement.

While it is considered the worst of form in court circles to discuss the private wealth of kings and queens, it is a well-known fact that their finances are gossiped about, and so loudly, too, that information regarding the pecuniary standing of monarchs escapes to the curious world without. For instance, everyone knows that Queen Victoria is the richest sovereign in Europe, if not in the world.

Here is an estimate of her private possessions:

- Annual income from nation, $1,925,000.
- Revenues from Duchy of Lancaster, $300,000.
- Estates in Ireland, Scotland, France, Italy and Wales.
- The famous Koh-i-noor diamond worth $2,500,000.
- Money invested to the amount of $50,000,000.

Yet, in spite of these figures, there are those who claim that the sum of Her Majesty's fortune when made known definitely will be comparatively small. They argue that Victoria is one of the most sympathetic and generous sovereigns in Europe, adding that her money is eaten up by pet charities, private salaries and pensions, and then there is the mise en scene of royalty to be kept up which requires an enormous amount of money. Her Majesty's wealth consists principally of jewels and cash; for since she relinquished her claim to many of the land properties of the crown in return for the $150,000 civil list allowance, years ago, her riches are exceeded in real estate possessions by those of the Czar of Russia.

But even these vast landed riches do not place Nicholas II. next on the list of millionaires on thrones. This enviable position is reserved, strange as it may seem, for Abdul Hamid, the Sultan of European Turkey, who manages to get away with $5,000,000 yearly in the maintenance of his harem and the provision of other luxuries. But if Abdul Hamid's subjects were to rise in revolt and dethrone him these are some of the possessions which he would have to fall back on:

- A private fortune of $12,000,000.
- What he is able to "knock down" from a civil list of $1,000,000.
- Investments in other countries yielding an annual income of $1,500,000.
- A jewel-embroidered wardrobe worth $3,000,000.
- Rings and other ornaments computed to have cost $1,500,000.

But it must not be thought for a moment that the Sultan is satisfied with these riches. Far to the contrary, he longs to be known as the wealthiest man in all the world, and is constantly reaching out for additional wealth, while enjoying every luxury that money can procure. The magnificence of the Sultan's wardrobe is proverbial, and a set of diamond buttons for one of his court robes is only one of a large number of recent extravagances.

Of the sums which are hidden away in the coffers of Czar Nicholas II., little is known. He, however, owns vast lands in Siberia and the following record of a portion of his wealth shows that there would still be enough to support Her Majesty the Czarina and the little Grandduchesses should her royal spouse some morning awake and find himself suddenly dethroned and compelled to seek his own livelihood in a less austere manner:

- A million square miles of cultivated Russian lands.
- Gold and other mines in Siberia.
- Largest cream-colored horses in the world.
- Revenues from real estate to the amount of $15,000,000 a year.
- Savings from a $5,000,000 civil list.

A sparkling addition to this list is the Orloff, one of the diamond wonders of the world. This remarkable gem weighs one hundred and ninety-four and a quarter carats, and is set in the sceptre of His Majesty. The Orloff was purchased in the year 1774 by the Armenian Schaffras, who sold it to Catherine II. of Russia for half a million roubles, a pension of twenty thousand roubles and a patent of nobility. The Shah, another diamond which is a perfect mass of fire and brilliancy, is also contained in His Majesty's jewel casket. These two gems alone would bring a fortune if put on sale.

Many handsome jewels, fine lands and the most magnificent collection of photographs in the world belong to the Belgian monarch, but his revenues have been so many that it is difficult to tell how much of his once imperial fortune remains.

William II., the versatile Emperor of Germany, has a stock of this world's goods that contrasts strikingly with that of his neighbor sovereign, Leopold. His dual office of Emperor of Germany and King of Prussia makes him rich beyond all dreams of avarice. These are only a few of the resources upon which he could draw were he to become simply a prince with no other office than that to which a royal birth naturally admits him:

- Four great palaces and fifty lesser ones and castles.
- Savings from an annual civil list of $3,853,000.
- Private income of $9,000,000 a year.
- Jewels whose sale would bring at least $2,500,000.

Added to these riches, which are sufficient to satisfy a man of most Croesusean desires is the royal crown treasure of $200,000,000, founded by Frederick William III., comprising the domains of Flatow, Krojanke and Frandenforf, the Fredeikommiss of Prince Carl and the House of Fredeikommiss of the Hohenzollerns.

The Empress, too, has a snug little fortune that figures into seven numbers, to which she has added constantly from the liberal allowances made her by her royal husband.

The private fortune of Franz Josef has been recorded in such a contradictory manner, and there are so few people who have an insight into the sovereign's finances that it is impossible to give an exact idea of his possessions. These, however, are known to be his personal property:

- An income of $1,000,000 yearly from private sources.
- Profits from civil list of $1,500,000.
- Jewels left by the late Empress worth $3,000,000.
- Also enormous cash deposits in the Bank of England.

Emperor Franz Josef came into possession of a great deal of the wealth left by his wife, the late Empress Elizabeth, which included valuable real estate. Her Majesty's Viennese possessions were famous the world over. The palace at Corfu, recently sold, was worth a fabulous sum, and its furnishings alone cost something over a million.

Though King Christian of Denmark was a poor man when he ascended the throne, he is now numbered with the richest of the world's sovereigns. Much of his wealth has been brought into the family by advantageous marriages, notably that of his son to Louise of Sweden. But through his own thriftiness, King Christian has accumulated a goodly store of this world's goods.

The unique and charming spectacle which the assembly of King Christian's court presents during the summer months at his country seat is known wherever court news is circulated. This is one of the finest old castles in Europe, and would alone support His Majesty in regal style were he deprived of his throne and its emoluments. Fredenborg is situated on the Lake Esrom and is surrounded by a magnificent park, combining forest glades with cultivated loveliness in a manner too artistic to describe.

King Oscar of Sweden, who loves the good things of life, has but a small civil list with which to produce them. His private fortune, however, includes many valuable lands and the savings of the labors of nearly thirty years, which ought to be a goodly sum. They include:

- Several charming country palaces throughout Norway and Sweden.
- A private yacht which would easily bring half a million.
- Money invested which yields $2,000,000 yearly.
- And the customary civil list gains of over $500,000.

His Majesty has an immensely wealthy relative in his brother Carl XV., but the most of the latter's fortune he bequeathed to his daughter Louise upon her marriage with the Crown Prince of Denmark; so it is not at all certain that any of this wealth will revert to her uncle, though the Princess is very fond of her "Uncle Oscar."

The large lucrative estates of Queen Wilhelmina made her a very rich young woman, and to these revenues she adds the savings from a civil list of $600,000 allowed her by the good old Netherlanders. Her castle at Loo is the most beautiful and highest valued of her landed possessions.

One king may complain to another of the parsimony of his subjects in the matter of royal grants, but if the sums which are hidden away in royal coffers could be gleaned at by the world at large, it would be found that there is not a ruler in Europe but who has saved enough from his or her earnings to keep away the wolf from the door should by any mishap their throne and sovereignty be confiscated.

PATRIOTIC POSE FOR A LAD.

A YOUNG MILLIONAIRE OF WHOM MUCH IS EXPECTED.

GREAT PAINTER TALKS OF HIS SMALL MODELS.

He Says There is a Trick in Catching the Look of Innocence Upon a Child's Face.

"There is but one universal characteristic of children," said Boutet de Monvel, the great French child painter, "and that is innocence."

M. de Monvel has lately come from Paris to make a study of American children. He probably knows more about children than any other man in the world. He has studied them all his life, and painted pictures of them, from the baby royal to the little peasant children of the vineyards and the urchins of the city streets.

THE CZAR ENJOYS THE HONOR OF BEING THE RICHEST MAN IN THE WORLD FOR HIS AGE.

"If you were a painter," continued M. de Monvel, "always watching out for new types and ideals, you would realize how great is the field of children."

"But how can there be more types of children than of others? Are we not all children grown old?"

"That's just the trouble," replied M. de Monvel, "and we outgrow the type mature, we all follow the same fashions, in dress, manners, conversation, deportment. We aim to be self-controlled. We are a good deal like everyone else, at least outwardly.

"Children, however know no self-control. They recognize no fashions, either in dress or mannerism. They are themselves; they are natural; they are adorable. They say what they think, and often they think wise things. Fortunately, they don't know it. It would spoil them.

"It is knowledge that spoils us all, and robs us of individuality, for we all learn the same things. We are like sets of encyclopaedia, with variations in the binding.

THEY OBEY INSTINCT.

"Then, children do whatever natural instinct prompts. They are not guided nor limited by conventionality, for they don't know what conventionality is. That also is fortunate, for the painter as well as the children. It enlarges the field; it suggests new subjects. The innocent, artless, natural things that children do create thousands of new impressions, and it is from impressions that the artist works."

"But you are a portrait artist."

"It is the same. Do you think I would have my children sit in a stiff-backed chair or stand upon a pedestal while I paint them? Oh, no. I print not from their figures but from the impressions they create. I ask them not to stand and look at me, but to visit with me and be natural and forget I am to put them on canvas.

"They come into my rooms and look about. Some of them like the flowers or the pictures or the knick-knacks or the toys. They are not quiet long; it is a matter of but five or ten minutes before they show their natural tendencies. Some may be mischievous, others sad; some may be fretful and nervous, others careless and gay. Their temperaments soon create an impression upon me. It is from the impression I work. Look at this."

M. de Monvel moved toward an easel at the end of the room, one of the long, high-roofed chambers at the top of a fashionable New York apartment house, which the famous painter of children has transformed into a bower of beauty by his artistic touches.

"There are soft draperies and easy chairs, divans and rare ornaments; but these are lost in the general impression which is a medley of flowers and painted children's faces of every nationality, every class, every degree of beauty, and in the midst of it all, towering above it all, like a huge sketch in black and white, Boutet de Monvel himself, who wins the hearts of children as if by magic and loves them in return.

PORTRAIT OF BLAINE'S GRANDSON.

M. de Monvel lifted the covering from the easel to which he had called my attention. The painting was a water color of the grandson of James G. Blaine. The tints were so soft and harmonious as to be soothing; the boy looked as if he were about to speak.

"Now, can you note any difference between that painting and a photograph?" asked the artist, standing back and viewing his work in true artistic pose.

Yes, there certainly was a difference, apparent to the most untutored eye. More marked than the beauty of coloring was a certain realness that seemed to give insight into the character of the boy.

"It is because I work from the impression and not the figure. When I had discovered the little fellow's nature, which is a delicate, sensitive one, I had the material for my painting, and his temperament dominated me at all times while I worked on his picture.

"How did I come to paint children? Well," said M. de Monvel, as we sat down to the perusal of some of his recent work, "it happened that the children liked me, and I got along nicely with them; I don't know why."

Perhaps if M. de Monvel could see the kindliness in his brown eyes as other people see it, he might understand the reason for his success.

"I never found them troublesome," he continued, "and I believe that is the reason many artists have for not wishing to undertake children; they are too difficult to pose. But as I never pose them, I am not confronted with that difficulty."

"The children I know and understand. They are like open books that I can read or babbling brooks with no bridges to hide their surface, and clear water that lets me look down to the river bed.

"But the ladies!" he ejaculated with a sigh; "they are a great study for one little lifetime; the children are much simpler, the results are quicker."

"And where are they most interesting and pretty, these child pets of yours?"

"Interesting and pretty?" repeated M. de Monvel. "You don't make the one dependent upon the other, do you? For, you know, the most interesting children are not the pretty ones. Beauty, as the term is usually accepted, means regularity of features, and that suggests evenness of temperament and an average character. It is the homely little children who interest me, if any of them may be called so, with the light of innocence suffusing their faces.

"The homely ones are easier to paint. You did not think that? But it is true, quite true. The little irregularities are a pleasure to paint; they are a novelty, and the individuality of the face consists in those differences.

"But the people with regular features, their individuality consists more in expression and coloring, and the indefinable something which is finesse, and that is not so simple to reproduce on canvas.

"Look at this dear little face."

M. de Monvel picked up a pencil sketch of the houdiest child I had ever seen.

"Isn't that delicious? There isn't a good feature in it; the eyes are small, mouth large, nose tip tilted, hair tawny and straight, yet she's one of the dearest little creatures I've found since I came to America. It took about seven lines to draw her whole irregular little face and produce her impulsive, irregular character. She resembles somewhat the French children.

FRENCH AND YANKEE CHILDHOOD.

"The difference? Well, it's hard to define it. The French children are sweet and shy and impulsive, though they seem by nature to have their impulses under restraint. The children of America are almost invariably pretty of feature; but they seem wilful; they are spoiled, I think. They are encouraged to have decided opinions of their own, and they have a way of pushing them to a conclusion which could be no more positive if they were in the prime of life.

"The children here are also very self-contained, while in France they are almost invariably diffident. It is noticeable, even to the street gamins. The children of the Paris streets are not nearly so venturesome as those of New York.

"There is an interesting group that is thoroughly typical."

M. de Monvel held toward the light a beautiful water color of five French peasan children, at play in a meadow.

"Does it tell you anything?" asked the artist, anxiously.

"It tells me they are shy," I responded, for there was an air of diffidence manifest even in the set of the short-waisted frocks and the chin strings of the peasant bonnets.

"There is a good illustration of a type that perishes with its teens," said the artist; "there are no children in the world so full of refreshing sweetness as the peasant children of France; but it is annihilated by toil and the lapse of years, and those," concluded M. de Monvel, "are two of the crudest masters in the world; they annihilate everything.

"If I could follow my own bent I would make just one picture a year, and it would be such a picture as I would wish to live! I would not be the one selected to paint certain models, but I would select my own subject, my own model, put into it my own inspiration; and then work; how I would work for its perfection! But that, I suppose, is the dream of all artists.

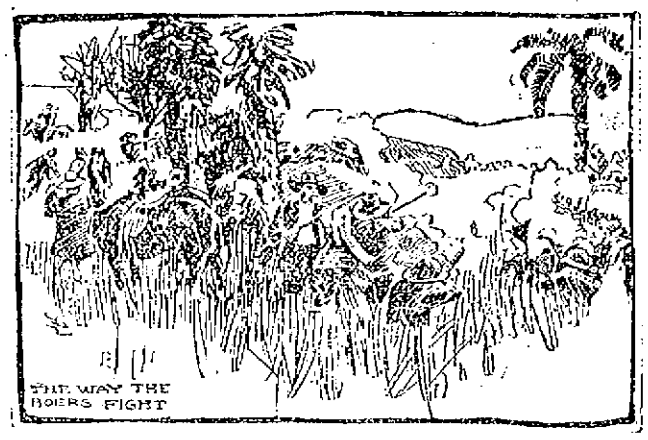
"We would live to paint, but we must paint to live. Bread and butter is an inartistic motive, it is prosaic, but"—a very French shrug for emphasis—"it is essential."

THE YOUNGEST HEROINE OF THE HORSE SHOW.

HELEN CRUIKSHANK, WHO RODE GRACEFULLY BOW-FASHION, ON HER PONY "POTTY."

A LIFELIKE AND GRACEFUL POSE FOR A CHILD FOND OF OUTDOOR LIFE.

THE BOERS HAVE NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO FIGHT IN THE OPEN, BUT SEEK ALWAYS THE SHELTER OF THE HILLS.



AN EXCELLENT ILLUSTRATION OF THE WAY OOM PAUL'S MEN FIGHT.

FACTORS OF SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

By Major-Gen. Nelson A. Miles, Commanding the United States Army.

In considering the subject of modern warfare it might be well to make a few comparisons in order to show the changed conditions resulting from the use of modern weapons. Notwithstanding the fact that those now in use are far more powerful than any before invented or used by man, the loss of life in battle has gradually diminished as the use of long-range weapons has become general. Greater distances are maintained between the lines of hostile forces and great masses of troops are not exposed to fire. The firing lines are not such conspicuous targets, being formed of men in single or double rank, who can occasionally resort to cover.

The theater of war covers a more extensive territory, and yet, with all the changes, the same principles of strategy and grand tactics prevail now as thousands of years ago, and victory or disaster depends just as frequently upon the skill of the commanders.

The losses in battles of modern times, as compared with the times of Frederick the Great and Napoleon, are considerably less.

WAR LOSSES GROWING LESS.

The ancient battles of the Romans were the most sanguinary in history, the fighting being hand to hand, resulting usually in annihilation of the defeated army. At the battle of Cannae, in which 72,000 Romans were engaged, 44,000 were killed or wounded and 25,000 were taken prisoners, while the loss of the Carthaginians, who were victorious, was only 6,000.

At Lundy's Lane, the severest engagement of the war of 1812, the Americans lost 1,260 men out of 6,000 (20 per cent.) and the British 900 out of 2,500 (32 per cent.).

IF ASKED IF IT PAID TO BE A QUEEN, VICTORIA COULD ANSWER IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

The two great battles of the age in point of loss are Waterloo and Gettysburg, and between them there is a remarkable similarity both in numbers engaged and extent of casualties. At Waterloo the French numbered 80,000 men and 252 guns; the Allies numbered 72,000 men and 156 guns. At Gettysburg the Union army numbered 82,000 men and 300 guns; the Confederates 70,000 men and 250 guns. At Waterloo Wellington's army lost 23,185, or 32 per cent.; at Gettysburg Meade's army lost 23,003, or 28 per cent.

In the Crimean war the British loss in killed and wounded in the battle of the Alma was 2,002 out of a total force engaged of 21,700, the percentage being 9, and they lost 9,257 men out of 7,464 engaged at the battle of Inkermann, or a percentage of 31.

During the great Civil war, from 1861 to 1865, there were enlisted in the Union army over 2,653,000 men, and there were killed in action 4,112 officers and 62,916 enlisted men (total 67,028); died of wounds received in action, 2,223 officers and 46,754 enlisted men (total 48,042); died of disease, 2,795 officers and 224,791 enlisted men (total 224,586).

In the present war in South Africa the British loss has been great in killed, wounded and prisoners.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

In a campaign much depends upon keeping open the lines of communication over which those most necessary supplies for every army, food and ammunition, must be transported. During the great Civil war some of the principal lines of communication were the following:

Louisville to Chattanooga via Nashville, 330 miles; Chattanooga to Atlanta, 119 miles; average distance traversed in maneuvering from Chattanooga to Atlanta, 175 miles; Atlanta to Savannah, 297 miles; Savannah to Goldsboro, 420 miles; Washington to Richmond, 116 miles.

In South Africa at the present time the important British lines of communication are: For Lord Methuen's column, from Cape Town to De Aar Junction, upward of 500 miles; for Gen. French's command, Port Elizabeth to Colesberg, 270 miles; for Gen. Gatacre's command, East London to Orange River, 225 miles, and for Gen. Buller's army, Durban to Frere, 150 miles. These columns are still within the British colonies and have not yet reached the territory of the South African republics.

From Pretoria, Durban is more than 400 miles distant; Port Elizabeth and East London more than 600, and Cape Town 750. The territory of the Transvaal is as large as Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania combined, and from Pretoria it extends about 180 miles to the westward, 210 miles to the eastward, 250 miles to the northward and 80 miles directly southward.

The campaigns during the Civil war in our own country between 1861 and 1865 illustrate the results of the operations of two contending forces, equal in enterprise, energy and fortitude, and both under skilful generalship. The use of long-range weapons gives the greater advantage to the force acting on the defensive, and this advantage can only be overcome by overpowering numbers on the side of the opposing force.

There are some new implements of warfare, the use of which affords great aid to an army, such as the wireless telegraph, the heliostat, the telephone and the telegraph, and whichever of two contending armies is without these implements is at a corresponding disadvantage. The science of ballooning has been brought to such perfection that balloons can be steadied against the currents of the winds, and therefore they are now recognized as exceedingly useful for the purpose of obtaining knowledge of the topography of the country and the position of the enemy. Lyddite, a very powerful explosive, far more destructive than the ordinary black powder, is used by the British as the bursting charge in their shells, and can be counted as one of the modern appliances of war. This explosive, however, is not as powerful or destructive as a powder recently invented by an American and adopted in our own service.

AS TO ROUGH RIDERS.

The question has been asked: Is the rough rider to be the ideal soldier of the twentieth century? Such an impression is unwarranted. The skilful horseman who can endure hardship and can make long and rapid journeys with the least possible fatigue to himself and horse, and at the same time can dismount and fight on foot, and is an expert marksman, and can take care of himself alone, or can be maneuvered in brigades, divisions or corps composed of thousands of mounted men, has been and will be a most useful soldier. Bodies of such men were effectively used on both sides in the Civil war. They are exceedingly useful in reconnoitring a country, cutting lines of communication, capturing and destroying depots of supplies, and, when concentrated, can do effective work on either flank of the enemy.

THE VALUE OF GOOD RIFLEMEN.

Much has been said in regard to the value of good riflemen, as shown in the Transvaal fighting. Knowledge of their rifles and skill in using them are of inestimable value in the men of any army. The modern magazine rifle is sighted from 1,800 up to 2,400 yards, and of course the skilful use of it can only be obtained from practice, intelligent care and proper instruction. Both long-range individual sharpshooting and volley firing will be utilized in campaigns. The former renders the ground between the lines dangerous, if not untenable; and the latter, in close fighting, as in wooded or broken country, or during night attacks, when the control by the officers of firing is most essential, is very effective.

The use of the telegraph and steam power has made a vast difference in the art of war. Formerly it was next to impossible to successfully carry on a war against a foreign country at long distance by the transportation then in use, viz., sailing vessels, as illustrated in our Revolutionary war, and as late even as the Crimean war. Now the great steam transports, bearing all the personnel and munitions of war of modern armies, plough their way rapidly across the seas, and daily and hourly communication can be maintained with forces operating on the opposite side of the globe.

To meet the trials, exposure, hardship, disease and dangers of war requires in the present time the same fortitude as was necessary during the past ages, and to become a true soldier, fulfilling all the requirements and discharging his whole duty to his country, one must be inspired by the noblest patriotism as well as possessed of the stoutest heart.

MAJOR GEN. NELSON A. MILES, COMMANDING OFFICER UNITED STATES ARMY.

The war in South Africa is extremely interesting from the military point of view because of the test which it puts to the modern methods of transportation and the new weapons to which I have referred. Its result will throw new light upon many military problems. What that result will be depends upon so many possible developments, political as well as military, that prediction would be unsafe.

5,000 FEET UNDERGROUND.

One of the artificial wonders of the world is the Red Jacket shaft in the Calumet and Hecla copper mines, the largest in the world, on the shores of Lake Superior. The shaft is 4,990 feet deep, and is the deepest ever sunk.

It reaches to the conglomerate lode and is 14x32½ feet on the inside, is divided into six compartments and timbered throughout with Georgia pine, of which 10,000,000 feet were required.

The most powerful machinery known to miners operates this shaft, with a capacity of raising ten tons 5,000 feet per minute. In every respect, including the cost, this is the most stupendous undertaking ever carried out by a mining company.

A HUGE SUCCESS

Was Opening Night of Minstrel Show

IN TOWN HALL, NORTH CHELMSFORD

The Performance to be Repeated Tonight

The town hall, North Chelmsford, was the scene of a most successful minstrel performance attracting an audience more than testing the capacity of the hall, standing room being at a premium. The affair was under the popular temperance organization of the village, the St. John's Catholic Total Abstinence society.

Mr. Hubert Bearce of North Chelmsford directed the entertainment in his usual efficient manner and Mr. James Gookin, Lowell's rising pianist, acted as accompanist with his usual skill and grace adding new laurels to his already excellent reputation as an instrumentalist.

The hall was decorated most tastefully and was lighted by electric lights and it presented a grand and inspiring scene. Promptly at 8 o'clock, the curtain rose and the first number on the program was the grand overture and opening chorus of 50 voices and they sang "The Minstrel's Delight," in a pleasing way. Those who sang in the opening chorus were loudly applauded. All the songs and witticisms were decidedly up-to-date. All the young ladies who took part were attired in white and the men performers in black. Among the jokes which had a local application the following might be enumerated:

"Why is Mr. Clarence Sprague, the well known North Chelmsford milkman going out of the milk business?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Sprague's well pump is frozen and he cannot get any water."

"Why is Edward Swain, the well known checker player and clever debater, like a Lowell butcher?"

Answer: "Because Mr. Swain is always looking for stocks."

Mr. Swain is a popular stock market man and the joke on him was well received.

"Why is the North Chelmsford grocery store like England?"

Answer: "Because there is a Queen at the head of it." The manager being Mr. Myron A. Queen.

"What vegetable does the city of Ladysmith look like?"

Answer: "The green pea, because the Boers are always shelling it."

"Why has Patrick Welch the most ups and downs in his life of any man in North Chelmsford?"

Answer: "Because he runs the elevator in George C. Moore's mills."

Many other clever jokes were sprung on many of the village folks and they were all well received.

The following is the program as it was presented:

Overture, "The Minstrels Delight," ....Entire Company.

Entire Company.

"Good-Bye, Ma Baby," Jas. J. Barrett

"She Rests by the Suwanee River" ....Miss Clara McCoy

"I Think I'll have to Telegraph My Baby" .... David J. Dixon

Song, "Sometime" ....George F Lynch

"I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby" .... Samuel L. Seymour

Song, "A Picture No Artist Can Paint," .... Miss Lizzie Constantineau

Song, "Somewhere" ....Miss Josie F. McCabe

"I've Seen No Messenger Boy," .... Arthur S. Allen

Song "Sing Me a Song of the South" .... Walter P. Finch

"I Wouldn't Leave My Home If I Were You" .... Walter P. Finch

Song "My Lady Love" Edward F. Shea

"My Hannah Lady" ......John J. Gray

PART. II.

Duet, "Cheerfulness" (waltz rondo) .... Gumbert

Mrs. Hubert Bearce and Miss Daisy I. Ripley.

Clarinet solo, ...Mr. J. P. Quigley

Buck and wing dance, Mr. Fred F. Lester; song, selected, Mrs. C F. Scribner; Mr. Hugh Farley, the "Irish comedian" introduced some side-splitting Irish comedy; song, selected, Miss Ethel Ranger; comic sketch entitled "Just Imported—The Two Counts,"; Edward F. Shea and George F. Lynch in the very latest jokes, songs and dances.

Interlocutor, John T. Crowley.

Bones—Arthur S. Allen, David J. Dixon, Walter P. Finch.

Tambos—Samuel L. Seymour, James J. Barrett, John J. Gray.

Chorus—The Misses Josie McCabe, Clara McCoy, Lizzie Constantineau, Tessie McCabe, Mary Crowley, Kittie Curry, Mary eHaley, Katie McEnany, Frances McEnany, Mary Larkin, Laura Lacure, Fannie Miller, Mary E. McMahon, Minnie McMenimon, Lilla Seymour, Messrs. Ernest Boles, John Curry, Joseph Crowley, John Harrington, George Lynch, Fred Lester, Alphonse Magnant, Arthur Moetferrand, Louis Miner, Dave McNally, John McNally, George Page, James Quigley, Thomas McTague, Edward Shea.

Mr. John T. Crowley made a fine interlocutor and the bones were played to perfection by Allard S. Allen, David J. Dixon and Walter P. Finch while the tambos were handled in a clever way by Samuel Seymour, Jas. J. Barrett and John J. Gray.

Tonight the entertainment will be repeated and a grand cake walk will be given under the direction of Mr. Thomas Armstrong of Lowell.

A large number is expected to trolley from Lowell to the North Chelmsford town hall tonight.

BAY STATE FAIR

CLOSED LAST NIGHT AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Last night was the closing night of the Bay State fair held in the vestries of the First Congregational church. On account of the inclemency of the weather the attendance was rather small.

The big event will long be remembered and much credit is due to Mrs. F. E. Putnam, Mrs. Frank Hoyt, Mr. C. in transferring properties and appoint- O. Hall and others who lent valuable assistance in the way of conveyances ments to and from the fair. The flowers sold at the city of Worcester came from the greenhouses of Harvey B. Greene and the decorations of American flags, bunting and shields were kindly loaned to the ladies for the occasion by Mr. Sidney Drewett and Mrs. Hoyt, the president of the society takes this opportunity to thank each and every one who in any way contributed to the success of the Bay State fair.

INTER-CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The Home club of Lawrence and the Vesper-Country club of this city will play a series of inter-club tournament games at the latter's quarters this evening. The visitors will come 50 strong, they say, and will furnish their part of the evening's entertainment.

ROBBED OF GLORY

Gen. Wheeler Given no Credit by Gen. Otis

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—Prima Facie proof comes in a letter from an officer in the Philippines that General Otis was prominent party to a conspiracy to rob General Joseph Wheeler of any credit he might be entitled to from service in the Philippines.

The theory has been that General Wheeler has had important active service in the Philippines and this was based on the official reports of General Otis to the war department.

As a matter of fact however, General Wheeler was in a score of battles, behaved with signal gallantry and distinction, was many times on the firing line and was of the utmost value to the American cause.

Here is the letter in part:

"Letters are being received from the United States asking why General Otis has never mentioned Gen. Wheeler in his reports. One letter said: 'A statement has been made that no matter what General Wheeler did in the Philippines his name would not be mentioned. We believe this has been proved to be literally true.

"It is known that General Wheeler has constantly studied the location of the enemy's troops and has repeatedly solicited authority to attack them, but every such action has been refused. Notwithstanding this, General Wheeler has been in a number of engagements, but his service has been entirely ignored or the credit given to others.

"On September 9, General Wheeler had a fight with a force of insurgents' infantry and artillery at Santa Rita. General Otis cabled an account of the fight to Washington, but the published report does not mention General Wheeler.

On Sept. 16, General Wheeler had another fight at Santa Rita, but no mention whatever was ever made of it.

"On Sept. 25, he commanded the troops which charged over the enemy's breastworks at Porac and pushed through and beyond the town, but General Wheeler's name was never mentioned.

"On October 11, General Wheeler's troops had quite a warm fight at Angeles. The fight lasted for three hours. General Wheeler rode his horse along the firing line during all action. Here again no mention was made of General Wheeler, and yet the insurgent force engaged in these two fights in the Philippines.

"General Wheeler also engaged in nine other fights or skirmishes at Angeles.

"General Wheeler was in the Bomban fight, and after the insurgents fled, pursued them until ordered back by General MacArthur, of course his name was not mentioned.

"The foregoing statements are taken from or based upon official reports. My purpose is to show General Wheeler's friends that, to say the least, General Wheeler has been active and efficient in his service in the Philippines."

BOXING GOSSIP.

All details of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club next Monday evening have been settled. Messrs. William A. Pierce and E. F. Wood, managers of Byers and Mulvihill, met President Anderson and Treasurer Hanlon of the Kirtland club and agreed that Referee Captain Bill Daly was to be instructed that he must give a decision. The men are to go fifteen rounds, and if the bout is not ended before that time, and the referee cannot conclude that one of the men is defeated, he empowered to order other rounds until a clear winner is found.

This arrangement will meet with the approval of all lovers of boxing in this vicinity, and is a rule which should be adopted all over the country. It ensures more spirited bouts, for the custom now followed permits the principals to waste time until the last round, so as to get a draw. Under the new rule a boxer will understand that the only way he can enhance his reputation is to exert his best efforts from the very start in a contest.

The determination of the Kirtland club to have decisions in their bouts is an innovation which will receive indorsement from all sides. Patrons will be protected from song and dance and gymnasium bouts. The new rule will make it positive that the superiority of the principal in each contest will be shown to all. It is a rule that will make the Kirtland club the most popular institution of its kind in the East. The old custom of permitting draws if both men were on their feet allowed too much opportunity for fakes.

This young sailor, Mulvihill, Byer's opponent is not a "ringer." He is a chap with a big record. Mulvihill is going to surprise the wise ones and it would not surprise some if he would become a prominent factor in the American middleweight championship in the near future. If he can beat George Byers he can get backing for $5000 against any middleweight limit. Tom Sharkey will find half the stake money. When Sharkey was in Boston he said that Mulvihill was a wonder five years ago and if he has improved any since then, he ought to be able to beat most any of the present run of middleweights. It may be remembered that Mulvill was the first man to go twenty rounds against Sharkey.

The following from Bob Broker explains itself: "There are quite a lot of 100 pound boxers around Boston looking for work. Now, I claim to be the 100 pound champion of New England, having won the title from the late Jimmy Duffy in 14 rounds six years ago at the Camden club. I stand ready to defend the title against all comers.

Doubting ones of a few weeks ago are now ready to believe that there might have been something wrong in the McGovern-Dixon fight. There was more in that contest by reason of the betting that McGovern would secure a knock-out in a certain number of rounds than has been told. Now a charge has been made that it was agreed that McGovern would fight Medely Miles if he would knock-out Eddie Santry. The agreement was violated, the Santry people were double-crossed, and some people won a pot of money.

Jim Kennedy, the well known manager and promoter of fistic events, in connection with Johnny Eckhardt, the well known referee, is to bring their great Ethopian combination of cake walkers to Music Hall, Boston, on the evening of Feb. 14.

By reason of the Byers-Mulvihill match at the Kirtland club, the meeting of the Isoterio club has been postponed from Feb. 12 to Feb. 14.

Speaking of his trip to Portland, Twin Sullivan says everyone connected with the Casco Athletic club treated him and his party with the greatest courtesy and liberality. Sullivan says he will make a match with Martin Riley or Joe Robinson again, for the "Casco's" next meeting.

Chuck Talbot writes from Charlestown that he wants a match with some 118-pound man, Young Curzan or Kid Fanning preferred.

Sparring competitions which were scheduled for the B. A. A. Feb. 16, have been given up on account of lack of entries, there not being enough to guarantee a fairly good show. If enough men can be guaranteed the championship will be held in March.

There is a very bitter war going on over in New York between Tom O'Rourke and George F. Considine. latter is now considered the Napoleon of boxing matters, and had more than succeeded Tom O'Rourke as the right man with Senator Tim Sullivan and the other powers that be. O'Rourke still controls the utterances of one or two sporting writers and they are feebly attacking Considine.

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BIG FIRE

SECOND ALARM FOR BLAZE IN A DANGEROUS DISTRICT

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 8.— For over an hour last evening traffic was suspended on Washington street near Eustis, in Roxbury. The cause was a fire for which two alarms were rung in from box 231. The first alarm was sounded at 6.13 and 10 minutes later Chief Grady ordered a second.

Shortly after 6 o'clock smoke was seen issuing from a window on the second story of the five-story brick building, 2109 to 2115 Washington street occupied by J. P. and W. H. Emond, carriage builders. An alarm was hastily sounded and upon the arrival of the firemen Chief Grady thought it advisable to sound a second alarm owing to the dangerous locality of the building. While the fire itself was not of a serious nature the structure of the Boston elevated road handicapped the fire fighters to a great extent. The loss was considerable.

A REBELLION

BROKEN OUT AT HONG KONG.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says that a serious rebellion has broken out in Swatau in the province of Kwang Tung. The viceroy has sent troops and a gunboat to suppress the insurrection.

MUSIC HALL

Last evening the "Vanity Fair Burlesquers" started on their three night and matinee performance at Music Hall. The opening feature is a burletta in one act entitled "Paris in 1900, or Gayest Paris," and it is one of the funniest burlesque drolleries ever conceived. Andrew Barr and Robert Mack as the Irishman and Hebrew are a funny pair. Their drolleries convulsed the big audience and to watch them was as difficult as keeping tabs on a three ring circus. The olio was clean, novel and entertaining. Morrissey and Rich, as "The Moonlight Serenaders" were given a warm reception, followed by Katie Rooney, the daughter of the late Pat Rooney. In character changes and imitations. In the last feature of her act, she changes costumes to male attire and when she appeared last evening she was the exact counterpart of her late father. She made a great hit and she will be a prime favorite during the engagement of "Vanity Fair" in Lowell. The breezy comedians, Howard and Mack had a budget of new witticisms, jokes, jokelets and quibbles. Andy Barr and Florence Evans are a clever pair. They are creators of original comedy, Mr. Barr, as the Irish farmer, and Miss Evans, as the "Lilliputian," created a great sensation in their absurdity entitled "In Town on Business." The closing feature of the olio program introduced the wonderful Ito Brothers, three in number in an entirely original and sensational act with the flying aerial rings. They gave the greatest exhibition of muscular development ever witnessed and they are as graceful as any trio of acrobats ever seen. Their act alone is worth seeing, if you never saw any other part of the show. The performance came to a close with the burlesque production of "Rob Roy," with Anna Little in the title role. She is a handsome and shapely woman and she sang a duet with Katie Rooney which was a gem of the burlesque. The performance will be given again tonight tomorrow afternoon and evening.

WHIST TOURNAMENT

REAGAN AND McBRIDE LEAD IN BURKES CONTEST.

At the Burke temperance institute a whist tournament consisting of 18 teams is now in progress. The winners will each receive a valuable silk umbrella, to the two finishing second will be awarded two meerschaum pipes, while the third prizes will be two sets of cuff buttons. There are two other prizes, the individual and the booby. Two pins comprise the individual prizes while the booby is a doll's carriage. The standing of the teams follows:

	W.	L.	Pts.
Reagan and McBride	23	11	377
Clark and Palley	23	13	371
Flynn and Whelan	21	13	371
O'Hare and Townsend	21	13	361
Kane and Mullaney	17	17	357
Lussier and Zipple	21	10	354
Reagan and Tierney	14	18	354
Mulvey and McClennya	14	16	211
Wynes and Linehan	15	13	307
Gallagher and Smith	17	13	291
McLaughlin and Farrell	14	13	289
Meaney and Reagan	10	21	286
Deggan and McNamara	16	17	284
Harrington and Lemire	9	19	260
Devlin and Langley	10	16	243
Rooney and Smith	8	16	215
Qualey and Donnelly	6	17	132
McCarthy and Gleason	0	0	161

Frank L. Fitzgerald will be a candidate for re-election to the board of selectmen.

Wednesday evening the republican town committee organized and elected officers as follows: Chairman, Frank H. Farmer; secretary, H. M. Bailey; treasurer, Marcellus Patten; auditor, John E. Foster.

REMINISCENCES OF LOWELL.

Owing to the stormy condition of the weather last evening a rather small audience listened to a delightful talk on the early reminiscences of Lowell at the Grace Universalist church. Mr. Bacheller is an able speaker on the subject, and the talk last evening was listened to with a great deal of interest by all present.

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Our first great value is two lots of Ladies' Fancy Woolen Waists.

One lot formerly sold for $1.09, our price on this lot 55c.

One lot formerly sold for $1.69, our price on this lot 87c.

One lot heavy flannelette lined throughout, was $1.00. Our price 50c.

Next is one lot Children's and Misses' Union Suits. Now everybody knows these union suits sell for 50c. Our price, only 25c.

Ladies' 25c. heavy Woolen and Fancy Mittens, our price 12 1-2c.

Ladies' 25c Chokers, now 10c. NOT ALL STYLES.

Ladies' Fancy Crocheted Slippers, Shoe Store price, 57c. Our price 45c. Only a small lot.

Ladies' 25c. Fancy Belt Buckles. Our price, 12 1-2c.

15c and 25c Side Combs, now 10c. Only 15 dozen in this lot.

15c and 25c long rubber Dressing Combs, 9c samples.

One lot Fine Combs. Samples. 10c and 15c. kind. All at 5c.

Small lot of Infants' and Little Children's nice Sample Mittens, worth 25c. For this sale, 10c and 12c.. White, 12c. Colors, 12c.

Mourning Pins. Regular price 5c. sheet. Sale price 2 for 5c.

Only 15 boxes left of that Silko and Silkateen every body sells for 5c, we sell, 2 for 5c. We were more than surprised to think we could sell 75 boxes of these goods in one week, nevertheless it is true, but no wonder we sold it. The price sold it. Everybody likes to trade where they can get such values. Goods at half what others ask bring crowds to our store every day in the week.

We are now showing the largest and best line of Corsets to be found in Lowell.

Corsets for 39c as good as some get 50c for.

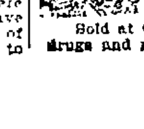
Corsets or 49c as good as some get 75c for.

Corsets for 75c as good as some get $1.00 for.

Our P. N. Corset, practical side, is the greatest value ever seen in a corset. Wear it once; you will wear it always. For comfort and durability it has no equal.

Still some great bargains in wrappers. Hundreds of bargains for this week at

Drain's Bargain Stores, 83 to 89 Gorham St., Lowell. Open Evenings



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FOR SALE—One Caligraph, $15.00; in first class condition; one safe in good condition, 3x4, $35.00; one roll top desk, oak, nearly new, $15.00. Inquire at Donovan and Mansur, Room 1, 26 Central street, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—Most complete line of bath cabinets in the world. One agent sold 1000 in four months. Irwin Co., 123 Chambers street, New York.

FOR SALE—Ten R. I. P. A. N. S. for five cents at druggists. One gives relief.

FOR SALE—On Cross street, good 6 room cottage house in good repair, large barn, lots of carriage room, concrete driveway, 4,500 feet of land, price only $2500. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

FOR SALE—On Bridge street, two tenement house, 7 rooms to each tenement, price $2500. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

FOR SALE—Near Gorham street, cottage house, good sized lot of land, price 1950. On easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

FOR SALE—A good place for the money, three miles from the city, 12 acres of land, 9 room-house, large barn and hennery and sheds, this is a bargain, $1100. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

FOR SALE—Good farm in N. H., 135 acres of land, fair buildings, 1 mile from depot, lots of wood and timber, price $1100. G. L. Hubbard, 121 Central street.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

A CHANCE for anyone desiring to start a paying business in the new and second hand furniture line will be found at No. 90 Charles street as the stock on hand can be bought on reasonable terms with the advantage of either lease or purchasing the premises.

A TEN DOLLAR INVESTMENT RETURNS FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PROFIT—This is better than a dozen Klondikes—at least this is the honest opinion of 617 investors who placed from $10 to $20 in Montana and Utah mining shares with the older reliable mining brokerage firm of W. H. Nichols, No. 7 West Broadway, Butte, Mon. Average profit of the 617 investors in ten months was $157.6, and many of the lucky ones made $500 off $10. Mr. Nichols is now floating two more new mining companies; he is a very shrewd and careful mining operator—he is a good one to follow.

RUBBER STAMPS — At wholesale prices, 1 inch one-line stamps, 10c; 1 ½ inch, 15c; 35c. ink pads, 25c; 25c. ink pads, 15c; 50c. linen markers, 25c; business stamps 16c. per line. J. M. Fallows, 164 Merrimack street.

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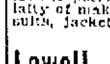

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Few professions have more frauds among its members than fortune tellers. Don't be deceived by every alluring, bombastic display. Patronize only those who guarantee satisfaction and can give proofs of their ability. Such a one is Vonnie, who stands at the front rank of palmists for she is the veritable queen of palmists. She can tell more than all others. Gives advice on love, marriage, and business. Describes your future husband or wife. Gives names and lucky days. Her hundreds of satisfied visitors in this city will testify to her knowledge of her profession. Fortune telling by cards is generally an illusion. Palmistry is a science and to one who understands it, the lines of your hand show unerringly your character, destiny, ability and the events of your full life. Take the elevator in Bon Marche block and at room 41 find the one who can read your hand correctly and that one is Vonnie, the palmistry queen. Hours from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. daily. Sundays from 2 to 6 p. m. Prices to suit all. Don't forget the number.

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to clear the mist and fathom the mysterious surrounding all cases of business and matrimony with startling accuracy, friends; also advice on all business affairs. She gives names and dates of absent fairs, 132 Central street, near Opera House.

MADAME ALVARDE,

The Popular Card Reader is again located at 40 Gorham street, opposite post office, where she can be consulted on business affairs, love, etc., lost articles found, names called. The madame, born in a veil, has since earliest recollection been gifted with power to reveal the past, present and future. Fees 50 cents and $1.00. Office hours 10 a. m. to 6 p. m., 2nd. flight front.

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A new lease from January 1st, 1900, for a long term of years, of the BROADWAY CENTRAL HOTEL has just been made to Tilly Haynes, the present very successful manager of the property. Mr. Haynes has now conducted the hotel for eight years, during which time he has completely rebuilt, refurnished, reorganized, and enlarged the original plant, at an expense of over a quarter of a million dollars, until now it is not only one of the largest, but one of the most complete and liberally conducted hotels in NEW YORK.

GRAND LECTURE

A lecture will be delivered for the benefit of the new Greek church at Urban hall.

Admission, 25 cents.

All the Greeks of Lowell are expected to be present.

Will have a stereopticon.

Per JOHN DEMAAS, the well known Greek.

The Latest and Best Sewing Machine is the

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Oak, Maple and Mahogany Wood Work. Sixteen Millions of these Machines have been sold.

Needles and Parts for all kinds of Machines.

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WANTED.

WANTED—Kitchen, table, chamber and general housework girls at once at Mrs. Gauthier, 179 Merrimack street.

WANTED—Girls to run braiding machines at cord works, Allen building, Rock street.

WANTED—Girls for transfering, experienced. Greenwood and Payton Hosiery Co., Ayer City.

WANTED at once 6 strong abled bodied laborers. Apply Monday morning to Lowell Fertilizing Co., So. Lowell.

WANTED—At once. Lady without incumbrance to travel in Mass. for well known house. Good salary and expenses to active party. Experience not necessary, but reference required. "Active," care of Sun.

WEAVERS, female, add $5.00 per week to your pay. We will help you. No agency business. Send 10c. for particular outfit. M. M. Co., Box 559, Worcester, Mass.

WANTED—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, within eight minutes of post office. Address J. A., care Sun.

WANTED—Experienced hustling general agent wanted in this territory on an article which sells at sight. $200 capital and references required. To experienced man, a good proposition. Address Eureka Coal Saver Co., 76 Westminster st., Providence, R. I.

WANTED—Policy holders in the covenant Mutual Life association, send your addresses to P. O. Box 503, Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Old and young men to buy new hats and we clean free of charge for one year at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex street.

WANTED—Cooks, kitchen, girls, table girls, general housework girls. Free ride in our carriage. Dons, 153 Merrimack street, opposite Bon Marche.

WANTED—Old and young men to bring their old hats to Delorme, the hatter, the only hater in town where they make hats to order. 261 Middlesex street.

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TO LET—In Lowell a store centrally located for drug, grocery or other business. Address "X. Y." Care Crawford House, Boston, Mass.

HALL TO LET—For dances, meetings, etc., with all modern conveniences. Prices reasonable. Apply 109 Middle street.

TO LET—Store at 409 Broadway as a grocery; apply to Frank Clark, 99 Adams street.

TO LET—One two-room and one five-room tenement. Inquire at 79 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Cottage houses at Adams avenue, Pawtucketville. Rent $9. Keys at occupied cottage. William A. Read, 224 Liberty street.

TO LET—Some first-class tenements in all parts of the city. Apply to A. G. Hebarrell, Room 8, Bon Marche Block.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—A fox terrier. Strayed away from postoffice Saturday forenoon. Finder return to 8 Gliddon avenue and receive reward.

LOST—Ladies' Seal glove between Tremont street and A. G. Pollard's Dry Goods store. Finder will please leave same at this office.

LOST—A brown spaniel dog with white paws, white neck and breast and white tip on tail, wearing collar not marked. Reward at 60 Swift street.

LOST—An envelope containing a sum of money on Saturday, either in the Bon Marche or between there and the Merrimack corporation. Reward at 10 Merrimack corporation.

LOST—Wednesday, a. m., somewhere between city hall and Pollard's, a new Angola ladies' glove. Finder will please leave it at box office, Savoy theatre and receive tickets which owner of glove will pay for.

SPOT Cash and highest prices for secondhand furniture at 402 Merrimack street. Tel. 656-4.

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Price of gas with the discount off for prompt payment, is

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Just received, 1,700 pounds of fresh kiln-dried loose hops.

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These hops are strictly first class high-grade goods, raised and cured this year, on specially prepared ground, for home use, by an expert hop grower. Place your order at once, as the amount is limited.

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PRESCOTT HALL......Character Party
ASSOCIATE HALL
Horseshoers' Dance
SACRED HEART SCHOOL.......Festival
TOWN HALL, North Chelmsford
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BOSTON THEATRES.

MUSEUM.........The Girl from Maxim's
TREMONT.....Milaid and the Musketeer
BOSTON..................The Great Ruby
CASTLE SQUARE....Bells of Haslemere
HOLLIS.............A Virginia Courtship
PARK .... The Parish Priest
COLUMBIA................. Princess Chic

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE SUN ON SALE IN BOSTON.

The five o'clock edition of The Sun is on sale at the news stand in the Union Station, Boston.

BREAD RAISERS WITH TEA.

We have received a new lot of bread raisers. One with a pound of tea and coffee while they last. Dickson Bros., The Big Tea Dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS.

Sold on the Cunard, Dominion, White Star, American, Anchor, Allan and Leyland lines, to and from Boston, New York, Queenstown, Liverpool and all parts of Europe. Drafts issued for £1 and upward on all parts of Great Britain and Ireland. English sovereigns and Canada bills bought at Murphy's, 18 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS

Try Horne's Coal.

Have you had Pelham cigars?

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's. Telephone, 391-4.

NEXT SATURDAY IS QUARTER DAY AT WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK, 4 PER CENT. 273 CENTRAL STREET.

LONG TALK.

The last in the series of song-talks given by Miss Neuhaus of Boston was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George F. Richardson, with an attendance of about 80. The talk was on the modern composers of the different countries with selections from their compositions.

FAREWELL PARTY.

Miss Eva Shepard gave a farewell party at her residence Wednesday evening in honor of her guest, Mr. Frank McVicker, who is about to sail for Europe. A large gathering of their friends were present and were entertained at whist. A dainty lunch was served.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

A feature, for the next few weeks, in the local Young Men's Christian association gymnasium will be the basket ball league formed by the Scarlets, Crescents and Silver Stars. Some fast and interesting contests are looked froward to, as the teams are evenly matched in strength and experience. The first of these games will be played on next Saturday evening, Feb. 10th between the Scarlets and Crescents. On the same evening at 7.45 o'clock the regular association team will play the Winchester Young Men's Christian association team. This new team showed up well in practice last evening and will no doubt render a good account of themselves in the contest with Winchester.

The association league games are as follows:

Feb. 10—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
Feb. 17—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
Feb. 24—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.
March 3—Scarlets vs. Crescents.
March 10—Crescents vs. Silver Stars.
March 17—Silver Stars vs. Scarlets.

MAYOR CROWLEY

DECLINES TO PRESIDE AT THE PRO-MEETING.

Mayor Crowley has notified the committee in charge of the Maude Gonne pro-Boer meeting that he will not preside at the meeting. Consequently Joseph Smith will preside.

PAINTERS—DECORATORS

ELECTED OFFICERS AT WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—At today's session of the convention of the National Association of Master Painters and Decorators, amendments to the constitution were adopted. Officers were elected as follows: President, Francis F. Black, Philadelphia secretary and treasurer, Joel Kennedy; members of the executive board, J. B. Hand, Brookline, Mass.; Alexander Grant, Providence, R. I., and others. Buffalo was chosen at the next meeting place of the convention, the date to be fixed later by the executive board.

TWO CHAMPIONS

WON IN THE RACQUET TOURNEY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Two champions won their matches in the semi-final round of the amateur national championship racquet tournament in the B. A. court yestrday. Quincy A. Shaw, Jr., the American premier, defeated Payne Whitney 15-4, 6-15, 17-15 and E. H. Miles, the champion court tennis and racquet player of England won from Potter 15-7, 15-1, 15-6.

Thus when Miles and Shaw meet on aturday in the nals, the international championship laurels will be at stake and a hot match is promised, as both men are developing their best form.

SAVOY THEATRE

Lovers of vaudeville, that is vaudeville coupled with the artistic skill of its exponents will do well to visit Lowell's "parlor theatre,"—the Savoy—before the week's end. The program has been selected with great care by the managers, Messrs. Mack and Dempsey, who never allow a turn to go upon the Savoy stage unless one of them or both have seen the house.

The storm of last night did not detract from the attendance and among those present were an unusually large number of store clerks, principally young ladies, who seem to take kindly to refined vaudeville as given at the Savoy for many of them attend the performance weekly.

Miss Marguerite Starr, a very prepossessing prima donna soprano sang herself into the good graces of her auditors and she was at her best in the selection of the "Holy City," in which she gave an impersonation in very effective contralto followed in sweet soprano voice of rare purity and tone. The range and penetrativeness of her voice coupled with the softness and rhythm are wonderful and every performance adds to the numbers of her admirers. The following are among the other clever artists who appear: H. S. Ricel and Nellie B. Chandler, O'Brady's Election; Herbert and Willing, "Coondom Craze"; Craig and McDonald, original musical sketch, "The German Blunders;" Farnum & Seymour, "Shadow and the Colonel;" C. E. Killingbeck & T. J. Madden, illustrator and bell tenor, late of West's Big Minstrels; Fritz, Leslie & Eddie, Novelty Pantomime Act, "The Enchanted House."

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 51 KIRK ST.

AGAIN WORKING

Men Who Were Discharged From Tannery

RESULT OF CONFERENCE YESTERDAY

Another Conference to Decide Wage Schedule

A conference was held yesterday afternoon at the American house between Mr. E. L. White and a special committee representing the employes of the tanery. As a result of the conference, which lasted two hours, about 60 men who were temporarily discharged on Monday morning, returned to work today.

Hon. C. D. Palmer and Mr. Barry of the state board of arbitration, were present but did not participate in the meeting, as their presence was not exactly necessary in view of the fact that both sides were disposed to be agreeable. The wages paid in Lowell were compared with those paid in Danvers and in other cities in Massachusetts, and in this connection the committee set forth the desires of the leathers workers. Nothing definite in way of agreement on a new schedule was reached and it was finally decided to have another conference next Tuesday afternoon.

At this conference the wage question will certainly be settled. Both sides agree that where there is a dispute over wages, it is to be left with the state board of arbitration, or to another board consisting of three members, one of them to be selected by the committee, another to be selected by the White Brothers and the third to be chosen by the two men selected. Both sides agree to sumit to any decision that shall be made by the board.

LOWELL MAN

NOW LECTURING THROUGH CANADA AND NOVA SCOTIA.

The lectures by Prof. John A. Nicholls in Orange Hall, on Monday and Tuesday evenings were largely attended. On Monday evening the hall was crowded to the door by an enthusiastic and patriotic audience, and the lecture on the War in South Africa, which was graphically illustrated, was frequently and heartily applauded. On Tuesday evening the subject was the Passion Play of Oberammergau, a subject of deep religious interest. The lecture was preceded by a trip to Boston showing the splendid service of the Plant Line and a visit to places of historic interest in that city. The lectures of Prof. Nicholls are not only entertaining but educational and instructive.—Nova Scotia Free Lance and Westville News.

TO TEST THORITE

A DUMMY BATTLESHIP WILL BE BLOWN UP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The navy ordnance department has constructed at Indian Head, on the Potomac River, a structure resembling the hull of a ship, which it is proposed to attack with thorite with a view to testing the efficiency of that high explosive in naval warfare.

The point to be tested is whether a thorite shell will penetrate the ordinary armor plating of a battle ship and explode in the interior. The experiments on this line will probably be made very shortly.

In the tests which have been planned at Indian Head, the ordnance officers will use ten-inch shells loaded with thorite against eight-inch armor.

FARMERS INSTITUTE

AT TYNGSBORO ON WEDNESDAY NEXT.

The Middlesex North Agricultural society will hold a farmer's institute at Tyngsboro Wednesday forenoon next beginning at 10.30 o'clock. Isaac Damon of Wayland, a member of the state board of agriculture will speak in the morning upon "Milch Cows and Dairy Farming." In the afternoon the question box will furnish topics for discussion. Dinner at noon. Both session will be opened by musical selections by local talent. The electric cars leave Lowell every 40 minutes in the forenoon; every half hour in the afternoon.

MIDWINTER FETE

ANOTHER LARGE ATTENDANCE AT THE SACRED HEART HALL.

The second night of the midwinter fete in the Sacred Heart parochial school hall in aid of the church building fund, attracted another large gathering last evening. The entertainment was given by the members of the Young Men's Catholic Lyceum, a new organization recently formed in the Sacred Heart parish, who presented the laughable comedy "Back from Klondike." Those who assumed characters in the cast were: Jos. W. Murphy, Edward Slattery, Jas. McLaughlin, James Fagan, John Murray, John Devine, John Clark, James Breen, Peter A. Clune and George Daley. The audience was kept convulsed throughout the presentation of the comedy, principally by the antics and droll sayings of Jas. McLaughlin, as "Stub McKenna." Edward Slattery as "Chesey," John Murray, the Jew and Peter A. Clune as the Spaniard. Vocal selections were igven by George Daly baritone, who was encored for his able rendition of "My Little Georgia Rose;" James Breen, in "Where the Sweet Magnolias Bloom:" song, Peter A. Clune, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep;" "My Hannah Lady" John Murray; Joseph W. Murphy, "I've Just Received a Telegram from Baby," coon melody, Mr. Chas. A. Carey. The affair was under the directorship of Mr. Joseph W. Murphy and reflected great credit on the skill and tact of the young man as well as his co-laborers of the Lyceum who made their initial appearance in the dramatic line such a grand success.

The festival will be continued tonight and tomorrow night.

MOTHER GOOSE PARTY.

At a meeting in the Kirk Street vestry last evening arrangments were made for the coming fair which will be in the nature of a Mother Goose party with corresponding costumes, table decorations, etc. The officials and attendants were selected.

A DELIGHTFUL TEA.

Mrs. Addison Putnam Jr., gave a tea at her residence 19 Nesmith street in honor of her sisters, Mrs. Wiley and Mrs. Hurlbut of Chicago, and Mrs. La Croix of Lynn. Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large attendance. The following ladies assisted: Mesdames Putnam, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. George P. Richardson, Mrs. H. P. Jefferson, Mrs. Harry A. Brown, Mrs. Harry Barrows, Mrs. Frank P. Putnam, Mrs. Walter J. Deany, Mrs. E. N. Burke, Mrs. A. B. Merrill.

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STEAMER ASHORE

The Gate City of the Oceanic Company

ON THE OUTER BAR AT NEW YORK

Has 3000 Bales of Cotton Aboard

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The steamship Gate City of the Ocean Steamship company went on the outer bar, three miles east of the Moriches life saving station Long Island, about 9 o'clock last night. There was a dense fog at the time and it is said the steamer was driven hard into the sand which forms the outer shoal. At present she is lying easy in a comparatively smooth sea.

The Gate City had on board forty-nine persons, three of whom were women. When she went aground her whistle signalled to the life saving station and they at once launched a surf boat. They found the vessel in no great danger but the captain of the life savers volunteered to take off the passengers. The women decided to go ashore and they were taken to the beach and given possession of the station house. The surf boat immediately put out again to the stranded steamer with the intention of bringing any of the male passengers ashore that desired to be taken off.

The Gate City is lying in the sand in a sea that is steadily rising and she will be in a dangerous position in case of a storm. The surf boats will probably be alongside the steamer during the remainder of the night unless she is floated.

The Gate City has 3000 bales of cotton on board.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The vessel ashore, it is now learned, is the Ocean steamship company's steamer Gate City, command of Captain Lewis. She sailed from Savannah Feb. 6, for Boston. A surf boat which went out to the steamer from the Moriches life saving station returned soon after midnight with three women on board.

LABOR UNIONS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY THOMAS F. CONNOLLY RESIGNS HIS POSITION.

The Weavers' union held a regular meeting last night at which a communication was received from Mr. Thomas F. Connolly who has been ill for some time resigning the office of financial secretary which he has ably and acceptably filled since the union was organized. It was known that Mr. Connolly was an overworked man before he was taken ill and it was feared that he would be obliged to relieve himself of some of his responsibility. His resignation, however, came as unpleasant news to the members. Under the circumstances there was nothing to do but accept it and the temporary secretary was instructed to send a message of thanks to Mr. Connolly.

Miss McMullin was elected temporary financial secretary for one week. At the next meeting a permanent sucessor to Mr. Connolly will be chosen and it is hoped that all the members will be present.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Brogan, who gave the union a detailed account of the recent Lonsdale disturbance.

The committee appointed to interview Agent Kerr will see him early next week on the questions which have been under dispute for some time.

PAINTERS' UNION.

The newly formed Painters' union met last night and elected the following permanent officers: President, William Bulmer; vice president, John Thompson; recording secretary, M. A. Gilligan; financial secretary, John J. Dolan; treasurer, George Jameson. The charter has been received and the charter list consists of 50 names.

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GEORGE SEDDON RUN OVER BY MILK WAGON.

George Seddon ten years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Seddon of Cottage Street, Collinsville, was run over by a milk wagon belonging to Mr. McDonald of Pawtucketville on Wednesday. Young Seddon was crossing the street and in attempting to get out of the way of Kolrman's grocery team he stepped into the path of Mr. McDonald's milk wagon and was knocked own, two of the wheels passing over his body. He was painfully injured about the back. Dr Welch says that no serious results will follow.

William Tyrrell of Upland street is a candidate for auditor on the democratic ticket.

William Bolten, who sailed for England about two months ago, has written a letter to his brother, Peter Bolten of Sladen street. William is in London, and states that he is to return to this country soon.

The new switch board in the engine room of the Collins mills was completed this week.

JUROR BROWN BETTER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Late last night it was stated at the Astor House that the condition of Molineux's juror, Manhattan Brown, had improved and that he would probably be able to take his place in court today.

EXPLORER STANLEY ILL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the African explorer and Unionist liberal member of parliament for North Lambeth, was taken suddenly ill with gastritis in the house of commons Wednesday night and is in a somewhat serious condition.

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NINE WERE KILLED

In a Rear End Collision in Michigan

Felch Mountain Train and Fast Freight Collide—The Cars Telescoped and Burned.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ESCANABA, Mich., Feb. 9.—Chicago & Northwestern passenger train No. 21, known as the Felch mountain accommodation, which runs between this city and Metropolitan, was wrecked in a rear-end collision with a freight train at Ford river switch at 6.30 last night. Nine persons were killed, three are reported missing, five seriously and four slightly injured. The dead are:

W. I. Hill, baggageman of the accommodation train.

William Dillon, brakeman on accommodation train.

Miss Seymour, section P, Michigan.

Charles Martin, Escanaba, civil engineer.

George R. Black, Escanaba, civil engineer.

Sam Green, Negaune.

Two unknown men.

Unknown woman, body charred beyond recognition.

Fast train No. 269, north bound, from Green Bay to Ispaming was making about 60 miles an hour when it passed Narenta for Ford river switch seven miles west of this city.

The engine was forging ahead through a blinding snow storm, which made it impossible to see signal lights except a short distance ahead. When within 100 yards of the switch at Ford river, Engineer James Green saw the rear lights of a train directly ahead and with a warning cry to his fireman, Cole Nee, jumped. The next instant the heavy freight struck the passenger coach of the accommodation and telescoped it and the baggage car ahead. Flames soon enveloped the cars and made the work of rescue doubly hard.

EVANGELIST GEIL

Gave an Interesting Sermon Last Night

LIVELY TALK ON SIN AND SINNERS

Large Gathering at First Baptist Church

Evangelist Geil evidently intends that there shall be no "prayer meeting snores" under his preaching. Like Jehu, the subject of his opening sketch last night, he is a furious driver. At the second meeting, held in the First Baptist church, there was a pretty good attendance in spite of the rain, indicating that had the weather been inviting, the church would have been packed to suffocation. Rev. L. W. Staples opened the meeting.

Mr. Geil's sermon was peculiar. It can't be reported, because action, facial expression and gesture had much to do with its effectiveness. The text was from the 9th chapter of Kings, 20th verse, "He Driveth Furiously."

The subject announced for the evening, "A Painted Face" was dropped after the first illustration, drawn from the story of the death of Jezebel, under the wheels of Jehu's chariot. The story was told in a dramatic manner, with remarkable descriptive power, in the first part. Then coming to the point where Jezebel looked out of the window, he said: "And when Jehu saw that woman with a painted face, he said 'Whoa!' Kings could not check him in his mad career, but when he saw a woman with a painted face, he promptly said 'Whoa!' When you are in the very moment of achievement, expect to see a painted face. Many a warrior has been stopped within one inch of victory. It was a painted face. Look out."

The words of the text served as the keynote to the remainder of the address. "The reason Jehu was a furious driver, was that he had the command of God ringing in his soul. The Lord Jesus Christ was the most furious driver this world ever saw."

The speaker then told the story of Christ driving the devils out of a man into a drove of swine. The owners of the swine, the evangelist said, wanted Jesus to leave the country because his religion was too expensive. "They wanted no man saved at the rate of 4000 hams to the man. There is an amazing amount of ham religion on this planet today and you have got some of it in Lowell. Pure, unadulterable ham religion. Stack up your hams, 4000 of them, and place a man there and you will take down the hams and let the man go down to be eternally lost. You are willing to have people saved in this city but you want it done cheaply. ou do not purpose to have it interfere with your business or social interests and engagements. You are willing that men should be saved if they can be saved at the rate of a dollar apiece; but how many of you are willing to pay 5000 hams for a revival of religion?

"I see that some of you do not like that. I am glad of it. One thing has troubled me all day. I fired hot shot here last night and everybody seemed to like it. You went away and said, 'Wasn't that nice? He made a good hit.' What was hit. No one that ought to have been because if that had been so, you would have been down on the preacher, and gone off and talked about him and that would have advertised the meetings.

"If I cannot help men to be saved in my own town, I have got no business to be in Lowell; and if you cannot lead people to Christ in Lowell, if you cannot get anybody converted under the shadow of your own home, the heathen are bad enough as they are, without your going to them.

"A rut is a grave with both ends knocked out. There are lots of people who must go a slow pace as long as they stay in the ruts that their grandfathers' chariots wore. We are preaching the same gospel as then but nowhere does God command a man to drive in the same rut as his grandfather. If I can reach a man by way of his head, heart or liver, I am after the man, and I am willing to transfer the starch to the laundry."

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Washington Commandery held its regular meeting last night and made arrangements for some good times in the future as laid out by the good of the order committee. Lady Frances Ellen Morrison presided for the first time as noble commander.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. I. O. O. F., held its regular meeting in old Odd Fellows' hall, last evening and received two applications. During the meeting the first degree was worked on three members. The ordinary routine business was transacted.

Court General Shields, F. of A., had its regular meeting in Foresters' hall last evening. The membership list took quite a boom, 35 applications being received. The court is making arrangements for a smoke talk which will be held on the evening of Feb. 22.

Bay State Colony, Pilgrim Fathers, transacted routine business at their meeting in Bay State Hall last evening and there was a large number present despite the rain. On account of the state of the hall, the clambake which was to have ben held last evening was postponed to Thursday evening, Feb. 22. It was also decided to have a dance in addition.

At the meeting of Passaconaway Tribe, Red Men last night arrangements were completed for attending the special service in the Central M. E. church next Sunday night. The members will meet in their hall at 6 o'clock and march in a body in regalia to the church. Rev. Mr. Meredith will preach a special sermon.

The entertainment committee of Loyal Victoria lodge, I. O. O. L., M. U., has arranged for a supper and entertainment in old Odd Fellows' hall tomorrow evening.

The complimentary dance which was to have been held in Mathews hall last night was postponed for one week on account of the small attendance resulting from the bad weather.

COMING MINSTREL SHOW.

One of the notable social events of February in Westford will be a minstrel show to be held in the town hall the 15th under the auspices of the Graniteville boys. Joe Wall has the affair in charge and in such hands it could be nothing but a great success.

MORE LUCRATIVE POSITION.

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